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[THE CRISIS IN CHINA.]

BREAK UP CONCERT.

What United States Might Do.

Possible Hitch in the Settlement.

America Will not Enforce One With Arms.

Emperor Objects to Reducing Forts and Allowing Guards to Be Permanent.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] While the State Department is without late official advices from China, it believes the Chinese government will finally accede to the general demands made upon it by the powers in the identical note. It does not expect that China will immediately accede. Her statesmen without doubt will try to make better terms by securing an amendment, if possible, to the note, but this government knows pretty well that such amendment cannot be had from the powers, and that China must either accept or reject the note as it was originally presented. If China accedes to the demands, all will be well.

The question has arisen here, what would the United States do in case China refused, or found it impossible, to carry out the demands made by the powers? Inquiry upon this point brings information that this government in that case probably would withdraw from the concert of the powers respecting China, and proceed, as she has come near doing before, to negotiate terms upon her own responsibility for the settlement of the question of indemnity to be paid by China to the United States.

It is believed, though not known definitely, that when Minister Conger signed the demands upon China, with the word "irrevocable" in them he made the reservation that in case China refused to comply with the demands, the United States would not be a party to carrying them out by force of arms.

THE COURT OBJECTS.
DISLIKES TO REDUCE FORTS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

PEKING, Dec. 27.—[By Asiatic Cable.] Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, the Chinese commissioners have heard from the Emperor, Kwang Hsu. Prince Ching called on the former for consultation, remaining over an hour. The court objects strenuously to reducing the forts and also to allowing permanent legation guards, which, it seems to think, could be made sufficiently large at any time it was desired to menace the court itself.

After the conference it was decided to hold further communication with the court before seeing the ministers.

TO DESTROY TOWNS.
EXPEDITION OF BRITISH.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

PEKING, Dec. 27.—[By Asiatic Cable.] The British have increased their garrison at Yang Tsung by a hundred men, with horses and three guns.

A flying column of 1600 cavalry will scour the country between Tien-Tsin and Yang Tsung, in obedience to Field Marshal Von Waldersee's orders to be on the alert, in view of the French report of an engagement with 2500 Chinese troops.

Col. Tulock's regiment will remain to destroy the towns he recently held. This action is taken owing to the fact that it has been discovered that a number of Boxers unquestionably made them their headquarters. The British authorities say they do not expect serious trouble from the Boxers, mainly because they lack arms. Fortunately, the Chinese government feared to trust them with arms, lest a rebellion against the dynasty be undertaken. Otherwise the danger might have been serious. British soldiers have been found dead outside the Temple of Heaven, with bullets in their heads. The murders are believed to have been committed by the Chinese.

A detachment of the Sixth United States Cavalry, Ninth Infantry and Fifth Artillery, will leave tomorrow to investigate the reported burning of native Christians by Boxers, as reported by the Rev. Mr. Kelly of the Presbyterian mission. The expedition will be commanded by Lieut.-Col. Wint of the Sixth Cavalry.

BRITISH TO ATTACK.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

TIEN-TSIN, Dec. 27.—A force of 1100 British troops, with two guns and a Maxim has gone to Yang Tsung to attack the Boxers in that vicinity and protect the railroad.

CONGER'S RESERVATIONS.
PRESIDENT TAKES PRECAUTIONS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A special to the Herald from Washington says it has developed that Minister Conger has signed the agreement drafted by the ministers at Peking, and presented to Prince Ching on Monday, with several important reservations.

Among these reservations are the following: Rejection of the terms agreed upon by the powers and presented to the Chinese envoys does not bind the United States to join the other powers in resuming hostilities. The United States is not bound to maintain permanent guards in China, or to prevent the importation of arms and ammunition.

Other reservations were made by Conger, but their character will not be made public by Secretary Hay until he receives from the Minister the text of the language he employed.

Conger, of course, acted under instructions in appending to the agreement a statement of the position of the United States. The authorities were apprehensive that the powers, in case of the refusal of China to accede to the demands, would be under the impression that by signing the agreement this government was pledged to enforce compliance with the terms. The President did not propose to be placed in any such position, and he directed Conger, therefore, to make clear the attitude of the United States.

REV. WEIG'S EXPERIENCES.
WAS CAPTURED BY BOXERS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Rev. Father John Weig, a Catholic missionary who went through the recent Boxer troubles in China and escaped after a

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[SOUTH AFRICA.]

BAD SIGN TO BOERS.

That Manifesto by Kitchener.

They Think it Displays Weakness.

He is Unable to Expel Them from Cape Colony.

Commandoes Display Astonishing Activity Over a Wide Field—Boers Repulsed.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

LONDON, Dec. 28, 3 a.m.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The latest dispatches from South Africa show that Lord Kitchener has succeeded in holding the Boers in check. But he has not yet been successful in expelling them from Cape Colony, while different commandoes continue to display astonishing activity over an immensely wide field.

It is questionable whether his proclamation will have much effect until Gen. Dewet has been captured. The Boers are largely disposed to regard it as a sign of weakness, and to have a wholesome dread of vengeance if they surrender. The proclamation is approved by the party at home that favors conciliatory terms to the Boers as a step in the right direction.

Queen Victoria, it is said, has approved the proposal to institute a new order of knighthood to reward officers who have served in South Africa. The order will probably be called the "Star of Africa."

A dispatch from Vryberg, dated December 20, says that Boers in considerable numbers were making a movement westward. They had 150 wagons. The dispatches suggest that they were trekking to Damaraland, although the Boers themselves denied any such intention.

WANTED CHRISTMAS LUXURY.
WHY BOERS TACKLED UTRECHT.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

NEWCASTLE (Natal,) Dec. 27.—[By South African Cable.] The Boers celebrated Christmas in Standerton and Ingogo by a more or less determined attack upon every British garrison along the lines of communication. These, however, were in all cases successfully repulsed.

At Utrecht, the Boer commandant sent in a demand for whisky, cigars and Christmas luxuries, failing which he threatened to attack the town. His demand was ignored, and the Boers attacked Utrecht in force Christmas morning. They were repulsed with loss, the British casualties being slight.

MARTIAL LAW.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 27.—Martial law has been proclaimed in the districts of Beaufort West and Carnarvon.

CANADIANS WELCOMED.
CEREMONIES AT WINNIPEG.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WINNIPEG (Man.,) Dec. 27.—Thousands of citizens stood in the chilly blasts two hours today awaiting the arrival of soldiers from South Africa. The welcome at the railroad station was most enthusiastic. An immense procession was formed to Holy Trinity Church, where Archbishop Machray conducted brief services. Luncheon followed at the drill hall, during which the Mayor, Sir Charles Tupper, Hon. Hugh John McDonald, Chief Justice Killam and others delivered addresses. Tonight a grand ball and concert will be held.

LETTER TO KRUGER.
ONLY SYMPATHY AUTHORIZED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

THE HAGUE, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] On the reassembling of the Senate today Senator Rengers disclaimed in behalf of the House all responsibility for the letter of the president of the Senate to Kruger, December 7. In so doing the Senator pointed out that the Senate merely authorized the President to express sympathy with Kruger.

In the letter alluded to above, the president of the Senate of the Netherlands expressed approval of the "noble purpose" of Kruger in "attempting to put a stop to the unjust war forced upon him in such a barbarous manner," and expressing the hope that "it will result in the independence of the republics being assured forever."

SENSATIONAL START.
REFORM IN WAR OFFICE.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

LONDON, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The War Office has begun the promised reform of the army in a sensational manner.

It has demanded the resignation of Maj.-Gen. Sir Henry Colville, commanding an infantry brigade at Gibraltar and recently commanding the Ninth Division of the South Africa field forces. Gen. Colville refuses to resign, and is now on his way to England. The news is all the more startling as the question of Gen. Colville's responsibility for the Yeomanry disaster at Lindsay last May was fully investigated by the authorities when Gen. Colville returned from South Africa last summer. After the inquiry Gen. Colville was reinstated to his command at Gibraltar in September last.

The attitude of the War Office indicates that a new régime in Pall Mall will reverse the decisions of Lord Lansdowne and Lord Wolseley in regard to some of the recent commanders in South Africa. Gen. Colville, like Gen. Methuen, has always been an agreeable personage in London and a prominent clubman. He has had a most distinguished military career, has been repeatedly mentioned in the dispatches and is familiarly known as "Odzers." He is also a well-known author, and on the occasion of his marriage created a stir by going on his honeymoon in a balloon.

REGRETTABLE ACT.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Times, dealing editorially with the announcement that the War Office has called for the resignation of Sir Henry Colville, says: "It is regrettable that Mr. Broderick has felt constrained to reverse the judgment of Lord Lansdowne. He may have unanswerable reasons, but their force will have to be fully proved in order to justify his refusal to be bound by the action of his predecessors."

The Daily Chronicle comments less severely, but in a similar tone.

DAILY NEWS FLOPS.
PAPER BECOMES PRO-BOER.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

LONDON, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A journalistic change of much significance will soon be announced. The Daily News, the oldest Liberal paper here, will cease supporting the government's South African policy and will virtually demand the cessation of the war and the giving of liberal terms to the Boers. The paper has been strongly imperialistic since the beginning of hostilities. Arnold Morley, one of the principal proprietors, was chiefly responsible for its change of policy, which has not been a paying one. E. T. Cook, one of the ablest journalists of London, will probably retire from the editorship.

It is interesting to note a change of this nature, as early in the war the Chronicle was compelled, owing to its unpopularity, to abandon the attitude which the News now takes up.

BLACK AS CROWE IS, HE'S FOUND OUT.

ALLEGED KIDNAPER MASQUERADING AS A YOUNG WIDOW.

Detective Sergeant Storen of Chicago Traces Him to His Room in Englewood, but the Fugitive is Warned in Time to Get Away.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Disguised as a woman, Pat Crowe, the notorious criminal who is being sought by the police all over the United States on the charge that he was the kidnaper of Eddie Cudahy at Omaha, has been seen in Chicago within the last few days, and may still be hiding here, according to statements made tonight by Detective Sergt. James Storen of the Chicago police.

In pursuing his quest the sergeant stumbled upon evidence which, he says, convinced him that Crowe has been in Chicago recently, and that in the guise of a woman, clothed in a black robe and heavily veiled, the suspect went abroad with impunity in the streets of Englewood, the suburb where he once was a resident and is well known to many people.

Storen claims to have traced Crowe to a room where he was masquerading as a young widow in mourning, but that Crowe received warning from his friends that the police were on his trail, and escaped before a capture could be effected.

"I found ample evidence in the room that its occupant was none other than Crowe," said Sergt. Storen today. "Whether he is now in Chicago, I cannot say. In Englewood, however, he has influential friends, who in all probability have found him a hiding place."

SCOURING DES MOINES.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

DES MOINES (Iowa,) Dec. 27.—This morning Detective Shaughnessy of Omaha arrived in the city looking for traces of Pat Crowe, who occupied the residence at No. 1326 East Lyon street here for some time. Crowe is said to have been intimate with Charles Price, who was shot dead while trying to rob a store in Quincy, Ill., a year ago. The detective believes that Mrs. Price, widow of the dead robber, will locate Crowe. He does not credit the report that Crowe is in jail at Laramie, for he was seen in Ohama only a few days before the abduction.

IN JAIL AT LARAMIE.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

DENVER, Dec. 27.—Detective Delue of this city, who has been doing criminal hunting in Denver for a number of years, says he is positive Pat Crowe is in jail at Laramie awaiting trial on the charge of attempting to steal a tray of diamonds from a jewelry store. He knows Crowe well and declares the description tallies exactly with that of Crowe.

HE EXPECTED TO DIE.

Dr. U. H. Brown, a Skillful Oculist, Found Dead in a Vacant Lot at New York City.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Dr. Ulysses Higgins Brown, an oculist of Syracuse, N. Y., was found dead today in an area-way in West Forty-fifth street. Dr. Brown, who is 49 years of age, was regarded as a very skillful operator and was frequently called to this city and other places to assist local practitioners.

An autopsy, which was held at the morgue, showed that Dr. Brown's lungs were congested and the liver enlarged. Dr. Brown complained of ill health before he left Syracuse, telling his friends that he expected to die as suddenly as his father did. Mrs. Brown concurred in the opinion that the death of her husband was due to natural causes. He had been calling on a friend near where he was found dead.

FORTY-NINE DROWNED

Young Skaters Fall Through Ice.

What Cheer, Ia., Scene of the Disaster.

Two Children Escape in Badly Bruised Condition.

Accident Said to Have Occurred On the Fair Grounds Pond. Particulars Meager.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A bulletin to the Times-Herald from Burlington Iowa, says:

"A telephone message from Washington, Iowa, last evening announced that fifty-one children were skating on the river near Foster, Monroe county, when the ice broke through and forty-nine of them were drowned. The message announced that two of the youngsters, badly bruised and utterly exhausted, managed to reach the land and give the alarm.

"Telephone and telegraph messages to every point near Foster have failed to bring confirmation or denial of the story, and there is no means of tracing the origin of the first message.

"Foster is a small town near What Cheer, and is located on the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. Every available point having connection with Foster, either by wire or railroad, was roused, but could get no information. It is thought here that the report is probably not true. The telephone exchange at What Cheer closed at midnight, without either confirming or denying the rumor."

RUMOR REPORTED TRUE.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A special to the Record from Des Moines, Iowa, says:

"At 2 o'clock communication was secured with the Mayor's office in Oskaloosa over the telephone, and it was stated there that information had been received from Ottumwa confirming the rumor that forty-nine children had been drowned in What Cheer, this State.

"It was stated that the children had been skating on a pond near the fair grounds. There were only a few escapes. The tragedy occurred about 1 o'clock last evening. Beyond this no particulars were known in Oskaloosa. What Cheer cannot now be reached by wire.

"Through the office of a telephone company at Indianola, it was learned from the Oskaloosa office that the Ottumwa office had learned that the rumor of the drowning of forty-nine children was true. No particulars could be gotten."

FROM ANOTHER SOURCE.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

DES MOINES, Dec. 27.—Telephone messages by way of Oskaloosa and Ottumwa say the report of the drowning of forty-nine school children at What Cheer is true. The children were skating on a pond near the fair grounds, and the accident occurred about 1 o'clock in the evening. Direct communication with What Cheer cannot be had at present.

WORK OF ASSASSIN, OR AN ACCIDENT?

H. C. PAYNE'S BODY FOUND WITH HEAD SEVERED.

Signs of a Struggle Found Near Where Remains Lay—Dead Man a Member of One of the Wealthiest Families of St. Louis—Valuables Untouched

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

ST. LOUIS (Mo.,) Dec. 27.—Mystery surrounds the death of H. C. Payne, proprietor of a small hardware store in this city, and for twelve years principal of the public schools at Old Orchard, whose body was found today near the Missouri-Pacific tracks at Webster Grove, a suburb, with the head nearly severed. Whether the cut was made by the wheels of a train or by a knife in the hands of an assailant, has not been determined. The clean, even gash suggests a knife. Payne's valuables were not touched, his watch and money being found in his pockets.

SIGNS OF A STRUGGLE.
[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—This afternoon a place where a struggle apparently had taken place was found forty feet from where the body was discovered. It was in thick underbrush alongside the track and the earth was torn up in several places. A hat and a collar, positively identified as Payne's, were found there.

While Coroner Armstrong says Payne may have been struck by a train at that point, he thinks it unlikely that the body would have been hurled so far, and that it would have fallen on the track as it was found. He also says that while it is possible that the cut in the neck was made by the fall upon the rails, it is improbable.

Payne was a member of one of the wealthiest families in St. Louis. His ancestors settled here nearly one hundred years ago.

[WASHINGTON.]

PANAMA ROUTE A POSSIBILITY.

French Company Holds Out that Hope.

Uncle Sam Being Urged to Take Hold.

New Canal Organization Hears a Report—Its President in Washington.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

PARIS, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] The annual meeting of the new Panama Canal Company was held today, about 250 shareholders being present. Director Rouget presided. The proceedings were lively, owing to criticisms of the board of directors concerning the progress of negotiations with the United States and Colombia. The chairman announced that negotiations with Colombia and the Panama Railroad Company for a working port at La Boca had been concluded in a most satisfactory arrangement.

The report, reviewing the situation in regard to the ultimate realization of the canal scheme, alluded to the report of the American Commissioners, expressing the opinion that both Nicaragua and Panama routes are practically realizable. It says:

"It is permissible to hope that a reasonable accord, in which the American and Colombia governments and our company should help each other, can be realised, and that it may finally determine the preferences of the United States in favor of the Panama route. Far from opposing resolute resistance to the views of American government, we think that before dreaming of any other conception, our present effort should be directed to obtain this accord by making, as far as we are concerned, such concess ons as are compatible with the interests we have to safeguard.

"The president of the company is now pursuing negotiations at Washington to that end. Should it be found impossible to arrive, within a reasonable period, at an equitable understanding with the United States, we shall seek and submit to you the means to actively carry on our work. It is neither possible nor permissible to say any more on the subject today."

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CALIFORNIA'S GOOD SHOWING.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A special to the Herald from Washington says expenditures for school purposes in New York last year amounted to $23,052,565, and while this was a larger sum than was expended by any other State, it was only $4.03 per capita, while Massachusetts spent $5.07 per capital; Nevada, $4.96, and California, $4.09. The smallest per capita expenditure in any State was in North Carolina, where it amounted to 53 cents.

Although having a larger population, New York falls behind Pennsylvania in the number of pupils enrolled, the enrollment for Pennsylvania being 1,186,-144, against 1,179,251 for New York. The percentage of pupils enrolled to population in New York is 16.94, while in Pennsylvania it is 15.76. The highest percentage of school enrollment to population is in Kansas, where it is 27.67.

Iowa makes one of the best showings. The total school enrollment in that State is 554,992, or 24.42 per cent. of the population, and the percentage of teachers to pupils is larger than in any other State, there being 28,694 teachers against 28,528 in Pennsylvania and 33,-903 in New York, to teach approximately twice the number of pupils in each case as in Iowa.

DESTRUCTION IN HAWAII.

ASIATICS WANT INDEMNITY.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—It is expected that Gov. Dole of Hawaii will make a recommendation to the Hawaiian Legislature, which meets in February, for the settlement of the claims of Chinese and Japanese growing out of the destruction of their property at Honolulu at the time of the bubonic-plague outbreak.

It appears that the Chinese claims are less than was at first estimated, and that the total of the Japanese and Chinese claims is approximately $1,500,-000. The Chinese government has not been in a condition of late to exert pressure in behalf of the claims of its citizens, but the Japanese authorities have been actively looking out for the losses sustained by their countrymen, and now seem to be in a fair way of securing partial remuneration.

Gov. Dole suggested, a short time ago, that the matter be referred to the Hawaiian Legislature, and this was approved by the officials here as the best means of adjustment. It is probable, however, that Gov. Dole's recommendation will be considerably below the face value of the claims. There appears to be little doubt that the Legislature will authorize a statement.

ARMY BILL TO PASS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Representative Hull, chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs, apparently does not share the fear expressed in some quarters that the Army Reorganization Bill will fail at this session of Congress, and that a makeshift temporarily continuing the present army will have to be resorted to.

"I have canvassed the situation in the Senate," said he today, "and I believe that the differences between the two houses upon the measure will be adjusted within a week after the bill goes to conference."

RAILROAD DIFFERENTIALS.

BIG CASE NEARING AN END.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Journal of Commerce from Washington says the Interstate Commerce Commission will render as early a decision as possible of important cases before them, regarding the difference in charges on carload lots, and on fractions of a carload. The case has been postponed until April 15, when the final testimony will be taken.

It is expected the arguments will immediately follow, and that the issues involved can then be taken up by the commission. The case has attracted widespread attention among railway men and shippers, because of the novel points involved. The issue is made principally by a leading hardware company of St. Louis, but has the support of the Business Men's League of St. Louis.

It involves a considerable class of hardware and grocery shipments, in which St. Louis firms come in conflict with New York firms, and with the jobbers on the Pacific Coast. The main contention of the St. Louis shippers is that there should not be so wide a difference as at present between the rates on carload lots of their goods and smaller lots. The difference amounts in some cases to nearly 100 per cent. the per 100 pounds in small lots amounting to nearly twice the rate on carload lots.

The freight rates between the two oceans are involved, because of the uniformity of rates on carload lots from New York to San Francisco, and from St. Louis to San Francisco. The remarkable fact that the New York rate is no higher than the St. Louis rate, in spite of a thousand miles or more in distance, is due to water competition by way of Cape Horn. Complaint is made by St. Louis shippers that they can ship retail consignments to patrons in the Rocky Mountain district as cheaply as carload lots can be shipped to San Francisco jobbers, and shipped by them east in small lots to their local patrons. This gives the New York shippers, according to the St. Louis line of argument, a distinct advantage.

LIEUT. SLACK'S DEATH

REPORTED FROM MANILA.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—A cablegram from Gen. MacArthur at Manila, received at the War Department today, announces the death of First Lieut. Walter T. Slack, Forty-seventh Infantry, from dysentery, Christmas night. Lieut. Slack was born July 10, 1875, at Grayson, Carter county, Ky. He was appointed a second lieutenant of the Second Kentucky Infantry at the outbreak of the war with Spain, and was honorably mustered out in October, 1898.

In August, 1899, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Forty-seventh Infantry, and in November of that year he embarked with his regiment for the Philippines. He was promoted to be a first lieutenant, August 26 last.

HAY AT HIS DESK.

HAS NUMEROUS CALLERS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Secretary Hay has recovered from his indisposition, and was again at his desk in the State Department. This being diplomatic day, he had many callers, the Chinese Minister being the first. Neither the Secretary or the Minister had any late advices from Peking.

NOME RESERVATION.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The President has ordered that the military reservation at Nome, Alaska, be made a public reservation under the control of the War Department and that the military reservation previously set aside near the east side of the mouth of the Nome River be known as the Fort Davis military reservation.

RUN ON SAVINGS BANKS.

Baltimore Institutions Promptly Pay All Demands, Thereby Stopping Rush to Withdraw.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

BALTIMORE (Md.,) Dec. 27.—The effect of the embarrassment of the Old Town Bank, for which a receiver was appointed yesetrday, was felt in all the savings banks today. Throngs of depositors were lined up before the doors. The demands in all cases were promptly complied with. By noon the crowds that had surrounded the bank in the early morning hours had been accommodated and left, and thereafter the banks took on apparently their everyday business appearance.

WHITE PIGEON BANK CLOSED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The First National Bank of White Pigeon, Mich., was closed tonight by order of the Comptroller of the Currency, on receipt of telegrams from National Bank Examiner J. W. Sheldon that the board of directors had passed a resolution requesting the Comptroller to take charge. Examiner Sheldon has been appointed receiver.

Summons the Democrats.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Senator J. C. Sims of Sonoma, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, has issued a call for the State Committee to meet at the California Hotel, San Francisco, January 5, 1901, to consider the welfare of the party. It is said that means to meet the committee's indebtedness of $2600 will be provided.

MAY NOT TAKE ARMORY BUILDING.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Supervising Architect Taylor of the Treasury Department is receiving hundreds of telegrams daily from Los Angeles about the temporary location of the Postoffice there while the old building is being remodeled. Most people who telegraph him say that the Armory building, which the department rather favors taking, is located too far from the business center of town, and they object to that location for a temporary office. Senator Perkins today got some telegrams about the matter; one of them comes from former Senator White. Senator Perkins went to the Treasury Department and talked over the matter with Architect Taylor. He found conditions exactly as Representative Waters found them. That department has been unable to find the proper building in the business center, and had about concluded to take the Armory building because there seemed nothing else to be done. But today Architect Taylor said that if any other building located in the center of the business section of the city were put into good sanitary condition and a reasonable price set upon it for rental, the department probably would yield to the wishes of Los Angeles business men and take that building rather than the Armory.

BAD ACTOR AND OLD LADY.

He Talked Spirits and She Wedded Him.

Now She Wants to Get Her Million Back.

Sues in Supreme Court of New York to Recover Her Property.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Last February at Richmond, Va., Willard H. Hutchinson, an actor, 23 years old, married a wealthy woman of 70. Today the wife began suit to recover possession of the property which she claims her youthful husband fraudulently took from her. Mrs. Hutchinson, in the complaint, claims that Hutchinson made here believe that he was a Spiritualist, a belief to which she is devoted, and as the result, she trusted him implicitly; fell in love with him and married him. She paid all of his expenses and clothed him. Before marrying Hutchinson, the latter told her he had communicated with her dead son, and the latter's spirit had advised the marriage.

Last April the couple were living at the Hoffman House here, when Hutchinson told her that relatives of hers were so incensed at the marriage that they were planning to have her committed to an asylum as insane to get possession of her property. Hutchinson told her the only way to protect herself was to deed the property to him, which she did. The deed to the property, which is large, was made out to Hutchinson and Paul Sheldon, lawyer, on July 18.

Later she became suspicious, and asked that the deed be canceled, but was prevailed upon to agree to a new instrument being drawn up, by the terms of which her estate was placed in trust in the hands of her husband and Sheldon, the income to be equally divided between herself and Hutchinson. She says that recently she learned that she had been deceived, and awakened from the dream as to the communication with her son Willie, which she believes was part of the husband's fraudulent scheme to obtain possession of her property. The woman is worth more than one million dollars.

The case was brought in the Supreme Court today. Hutchinson is at present in New Orleans, playing with a road company.

TURKEY'S CONTRACT.

Cramps Company Thought to Have Signed Without the First Payment Being Made.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, (Wednesday,) Dec. 26.—[By Atlantic Cable.] It is the general belief that Cramps' contract for the construction for a cruiser for Turkey was signed without the first payment being made. This view is supported by the fact that the Porte has formally promised to pay nothing to Americans before paying the Krupps, and the Germans have not yet received anything.

HEARD OF NO DUEL.

Report of the Killing of Paderewski on an Island in Seine not Confirmed or Believed.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

PARIS, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The prefecture of police has not heard of the alleged duel, in which, according to a report circulated in New York City, Paderewski, the pianist, was killed on a small island in the Seine.

The musical publishers, Chandens & Durand, who have business with Pederewski, do not believe he is dead.

HONOLULU'S MYSTERY.

Miss Schneider Feared That Government Scout Bennet Would Never Repay Her Four Hundred Dollars.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

HONOLULU, Dec. 19.—[Wired from Victoria, B. C., Dec. 27, Exclusive Dispatch.] The police are still working on the mysterious deaths of Clara Schneider and Government Scout Frank P. Bennet. It has now been definitely established that Miss Schneider had for some days before her death begun to fear that Bennet would not repay her the $400 he borrowed of her, and had been much cast down in consequence. She left her home at 9 o'clock the night before her death, saying she was going to try to get the money. As she bade good-by to a fellow-servant, he said: "I hope I shall see you again."

She did not return to the house until some time between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning. At 7 o'clock she was found unconscious in bed from the effects of two grains of morphine.

Bennet led a dual life. He was a hard drinker at times, and told a friend some months before he died that he had to use whisky and opium to allay the pain in his head, which an old wound gave him. It has also been discovered that he spent considerable money on another woman.

Bennet's movements on the night in question have not been clearly discovered. Nothing has yet been shown that would contradict the hypothesis that he was with Miss Schneider. She came to Honolulu on the ill-fated City of Columbia, September 1, 1898. Nearly every one connected with that trip of the steamer had some tragedy in his life.

[THE PHILIPPINES.]

COMMISSION COMPLETES THE TARIFF BILL.

DECISION TO BE MADE PUBLIC NEXT MONDAY.

Control of the San Jose Medical College Decided to Be Vested in the Government and not the Church—Litigation Considered Probable.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

MANILA, Dec. 27.—[By Manila Cable.] The Philippine Commission has completed the tariff bill and mailed it to Washington for approval. The decision of the commission will be made public Monday.

The first question dealt with by the commission affecting an issue between the church and the United States government is whether the control of the San José Medical College is vested in the government or in the church. The college was established by bequest in the seventeenth century and the Jesuit order was given its control. When the authority of the Jesuits in the Philippines ceased, the Spanish government assumed the direction of the college, and later permitted the Dominican order to conduct San José College as part of the University of Santo Tumas.

Following the American occupation a representative of the people insisted that the college, under the Treaty of Paris, came into the control of the United States and ought not to be controlled by the church. The church authorities claimed the church had full legal possession. Gen. Otis finally closed the institution.

The first hearing took place shortly after the commission arrived. Archbishop Chappelle and Nozaleda made the presentations for the church. The commission decides that the control is vested in the government. Litigation is considered probable.

SAMOA PURCHASED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Secretary of War today purchased the large freight steamer Samoa, at Hongkong, for use in transportation to San Francisco of the volunteer army in the Philippines. The Samoa will have to be altered for that purpose, and the work will be done at Hongkong. The officials refuse to state the price paid for the vessel, or the names of the owners.

BRYAN'S LAST CHANCE FOR PRESIDENCY GONE.

WALSH DENIES REPORTED PLAN TO RUN HIM AGAIN.

Calls Attention to Democatic National Committee's Last Address, Which Says it is not Desired to Advance the Interests of Any Man or Faction.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Charles A. Walsh of Iowa, secretary of the Democratic National Committee, who arrived here today to assist in arranging for the meeting of the National Executive Committee in January, makes denial of the report that the present organization of the Democratic party is planning to make W. J. Bryan the Presidential candidate in 1904.

"There is no foundation for such a story," said Walsh. "At the last address sent out by the committee it says it is not desired to advance the interests of any man or faction; that is what the organization declares, and that is all I care to say about the matter."

BRITONS MALTREATED.

Sharp Demands for Redress Made to the Porte for the Actions of Turkish Soldiers.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, (Wednesday,) Dec. 26.—[By Atlantic Cable.] Some Turkish soldiers have grossly assaulted and maltreated the British chargé d'affaires, Mr. De Bunsen, and other members of the British Embassy in the vicinity of the powder magazine at Makriekeuy. Sharp demands for redress have been made to the Porte.

ANOTHER OPERATORS' STRIKE.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 27.—An evening paper says: "Events of today indicate that a strike of telegraph operators on the Northern Pacific is more than possible. The company is sending men west to prepare for an emergency."

Another Robbery at Phoenix.

PHOENIX (Ariz.,) Dec. 27.—The gang of Mexicans who have assaulted and robbed several men in the tenderloin district lately, sandbagged Antonio Bertraminelli, an Italian fruit dealer, last night, and robbed him of $200.

MYSTERY OF A WOMAN'S SHOT.

W. H. Smythe Wounded in His Office.

Refused Telephone Use, She Fired.

Police Find No Clew—Wounded Man a Prominent Mason. Suicide Suspected.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

INDIANAPOLIS (Ind.,) Dec. 27.—William H. Smythe, secretary of the Grand Masonic Lodge of the State, was shot in the head in his office in the Masonic building shortly after noon today.

Smythe says a woman did the shooting, but the police have so far been unable to locate her. It is thought he cannot live.

Lewis A. Coleman, an attorney, found Smythe shortly after he was shot. He went to Smythe's office in the Masonic building shortly after noon for the purpose of transacting business, and found Smythe lying in a pool of blood on the floor. Coleman says he detected the smell of gunpowder the moment he stepped into the room.

The wounded man was in a semi-conscious condition, but was able at intervals to utter a few coherent words. The police asked Smythe to tell who did the shooting, and he told them his son would give them the information. He was able to say however, that he was seated at his desk when a blonde woman entered his office and asked to use the telephone. He said she had been there several times before, and that the last call irritated him, and he refused her request. He claimed that after he refused her the use of the telephone, she drew a revolver from the bosom of her dress and fired. He said his son would give all the information desired.

Shortly after the tragedy, Dr. Elmer Smythe, the son referred to, came in. He insisted that he knew nothing of the woman or the shooting.

A surgeon was called immediately after the shooting, and when he arrived, he immediately began probing for the bullet. The wound was directly behind the right ear and in a short time parts of the bullet were found and extracted.

Soon after the shooting Smythe asked for his son Elmer, and requested that all leave the room for a few minutes, which was done. Later he said his son would give them the name of the woman and all about her. The son persisted in his statement that he knew nothing of her.

An attempt was made to locate the woman at the Lorraine, but inquiry developed the fact that there was or had been no woman connected with the hotel who could have done the shooting.

When a search for the woman who is said to have done the shooting failed to reveal any trace of her, the theory was advanced that Smythe had attempted to take his own life. The persons who advanced the theory say it is strengthened by the fact that within the last year Smythe had threatened to take his life. His son said that while his father had been very despondent at times during the past year, he was unwilling to believe that he had attempted his own life.

At the home of Smythe it was found impossible to find any clew to the woman who he said had done the shooting.

Smythe is widely known in Indiana. He came to this city twenty-five years ago from Greencastle, to take the position of secretary of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Indiana, a position which he has filled to the present time. He is one of the best-known Masons in the State, and is highly esteemed.

Early in the summer Smythe received a sunstroke which incapacitated him for work. In fact he has never recovered.

Special Train Hit Him.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—William L. Garrison, an expressman, while driving across the Southern Pacific track at Treat avenue today, was struck by the race-track special and thrown a distance of twenty feet. His left leg was broken in two places and he sustained other injuries.

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[COAST RECORD.]

SAILOR BROKE UP THE HOME.

Sensational Affidavits in Festetics Case.

Count Claims Flirtations Caused Divorce.

Stage Robbery in Arizona—Green Takes Back Confession—Fire at Dixon.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Some sensational affidavits, which have been expected in the Festetics divorce case, were filed today, having been made by the Count before the United States Consul at Vienna, November 24. In them the Count explains the real reason of the separation at Singapore and the Countess's return to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Haggin of New York.

This was no other than the attentions of a young English naval officer of the battleship Immortalite, who is known only to the Count as Mr. Remington. He was a handsome sailor and the Countess found him interesting, and one day invited him to the yacht Tolna, on which the Count and Countess were making a trip around the world. He in turn found the Countess interesting, and when night came he asked for permission to remain aboard the vessel. The Count objected, but his wife took the matter into her own hands, and Remington stayed. Some time after daylight the Count heard his wife crying for help in Remington's cabin. When he reached her side she said the naval officer had fainted, and she asked for spirits to revive him, whereupon the Count seized a bottle of whisky and broke it upon his head. The remedy was effective, for Remington immediately left the vessel, and next day apologized to the Count.

The Count adds that when his wife came below after seeing Remington off to his ship, he told her he had had quite enough of such flirtations at Samoa and Yokohama; she had better return to her people. She clapped on her hat and said she would. She went at once to the telegraph office and cabled for money to her father. After Remington's apology, the Count asked her not to make any scandal, but she declared she would go home as soon as she could secure the money. The Count, however, swears she left him affectionately, and it was only through the public prints that he learned she had begun divorce proceedings.

In another affidavit he declares he spent $60,000 on his wife, and that she never contributed but $35 to the family expenses all the time she lived with him. He avers that the main reason why he remained so long on the yacht was that he was waiting for his wife's parents to pay him £1,000,000 that they promised at his marriage. He gives facts to show that the Tolna was a comfortable vessel, and that his wife had a pleasant cabin. This is his reply to her complaint that he nearly starved her aboard the yacht, and left her for days in a dirty cabin, when she was sick, and would allow her to see no men.

Judge Bahrs will decide the Countess's divorce suit next week.

REMOVALS FROM OFFICE NOT AGAINST CIVIL SERVICE.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Carl Schurz, one of the leaders of civil-service reform in the United States, and president of the Civil Service Reform Association of New York, has written to City Attorney Lane giving his views on the prerogatives of civil service in the matter of filling and creating vacancies. He says:

"There seems to us, of course, no reason whatever in the contention that permanancy of tenure is necessarily a part of the civil-service reform scheme as formulated in the usual civil service laws. There is certainly nothing in practice here or in the decisions of any of our courts to warrant it. The rules governing removal may, in short, within our understanding of the matter, be termed unconstitutional without affecting in the slightest degree those other rules that govern appointments or promotions."

In an argument some months ago in behalf of the copyists of the Recorder's office, Attorney Dunn contended that the civil service had no power to remove those holding office at the time of the inauguration of the system, and furthermore, that the dominant principle of civil service provided against interference with officeholders. This view was shared by many local attorneys, and a number of prominent departmental heads believed it was founded on precedent. But in preparing his argument for the Supreme Court, to which the case of the removed copyists has been appealed, Attorney Lane wrote to Carl Schurz asking him if it were true that the creation of vacancies was a violation of the fundamental principles of the system.

"This reply," said Attorney Lane, "from so eminent an authority should, in my judgment, settle for all time this vexed question. I always believed the commission here was following the right course, and now I am confirmed in that opinion."

DECORATION OF GENERALS.

BLUE RIBBON FOR ROBERTS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says public interest there is centered upon the final stage of Lord Roberts's journey from Madeira and Gibraltar and upon the honors which will await him when he arrives in England. The rumors are revived that his name will head the New Year's list of honors, but a Dukedom seems out of the question and an Earldom is more probable, with possibly the blue ribbon of the Order of the Garter. The Queen has a ribbon to spare, since no successor has been appointed to the late Duke of Argyll. Buller's friends will be sorely disappointed if his name does not appear in the New Year's list and White, Hunter, French, Ian Hamilton and Pole-Carew are regarded as probable winners in the lottery of decorations. Needless confusion has been caused by the exchange of formalities between Lord Hopetown and the premier of the senior colony of Australia. Barton by virtue of his leadership was the only candidate for Prime Minister of the new commonwealth and Sir W. Lyne was the proper master of ceremonies for nominating him for the post of honor. Barton is an eminent colonial statesman of the same class as Sir Wilfred Laurier. The federation has been the dream of his political career. As an idealist and enthusiast he has not been interested in anything else, and he has lived to see his dream carried out as a new principle of the empire. His name can hardly be omitted from the New Year's list of honors.

CECIL RHODES'S ORCHARDIST.

SANTA CLARA MAN'S JOB.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

SAN JOSE, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] W. H. F. Pickstone, who has been head man for A. Block, extensive grower and shipper of fruits at Santa Clara, started today for South Africa to assume charge of the large orchard interests of Cecil Rhodes. This is not the first time the Napoleon of South Africa has recognized the fruit raisers of California. Already several young men from this section have found lucrative positions in his employment.

Pickstone's special duty will be to supervise the setting out of new orchards and their care and culture, according to the latest California ideas. He will also be expected to instruct the natives in the art and practice of horticulture.

LONE ROBBER'S WORK.

ARIZONA STAGE HELD UP.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

PHOENIX (Ariz.) Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Yesterday, three miles from its destination, the stage from Hot Springs Junction to Castle Creek Hot Springs was held up by a masked highwayman and robbed of an express package containing fifty silver dollars. The mail was not molested, nor was the driver. There were no passengers. Allowed to go, the driver, an excitable Italian, wildly whipped up his horses and took the news to the springs.

According to his account, the robber stepped from behind a bush and presented a revolver to the driver's eyes. The highwayman is believed to be a miner-like individual who was a passenger to Hot Springs on the stage the day before. There is no doubt he was on foot, as the tracks of his hobnailed shoes have been followed for several miles. The Sheriff has been called to the scene, forty miles north of Phoenix, and will take up the search.

DARING ELOPEMENT IN HUNTINGTON VALLEY.

NELLIE PORCH CARRIED OFF, BUT BROUGHT HOME AGAIN.

Her Parents Opposed Her Choice and She Got a License by Means of Forged Letter—Lover Carries Her Off. Captured by Officers.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

ELKO (Nev.,) Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A daring elopement, that included all the picturesque features of good old-time runaway matches in the romantic West—outwitted parents, prospective bride and bridegroom on their galloping horses, farewell cracking of six-shooters, pursuit by relatives and officers of the law, and finally the capture of the fugitive lovers—occurred in this part of the State a few days ago.

In beautiful Huntington Valley, twenty miles from here, lives Nellie Porch, who was wooed by J. T. Clements. The parents opposed the match, but the girl forged a letter from the mother to the County Clerk and secured a license. Her parents learned of the deception and kept her at home. Clements then secured the aid of a party of his friends, rode up to the Porch house and demanded the girl. While Mrs. Porch was standing off the party at the front door, Clements, his best man and Nellie galloped away from the back door.

Nellie's brothers soon returned home and began pursuit of the lovers, but though many shots were fired, the fugitives were not overhauled. They were later captured by constables near Palisade.

GREEN DENIES GUILT.

SAYS IT WAS A "PIPE DREAM."

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 27.—H. Green, the man who entered the police station here and surrendered himself for the murder of Billy Feeney, which he said he committed in Michigan in 1875, now denies that he is guilty of that crime. He claims that he was under the influence of opium when he confessed. The police, however, are inclined to believe his original story and are investigating the matter.

THE MICHIGAN CRIME.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

CLARE (Mich.,) Dec. 27.—The man whose murder was confessed in Sacramento, was Owen Feeney, instead of Bill Feeney, as Green states. Feeney was in Clare on a spree January 8, 1877, and displayed considerable money. He boarded a train that night for the lumber camp where he was employed and was never seen again alive. Search was begun and a hole was discovered in the ice on a small lake near the lumber camp, but the body could not be found.

The following September Feeney's body was found in this lake with the throat cut and skull fractured. His money was missing. This tallies with the confession to the Sacramento police.

ORDERED TO HOLD HIM.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 27.—Chief of Police John E. Sullivan has received the following dispatch from Michigan:

"Owen Feeney was murdered, throat cut; body found in lake three miles west Farwell, Claire county. Was missing January 7, 1877. Body found following September. Get confession of H. Green in writing, sworn to before some magistrate, and wire me at once. Andrae and McCane were arrested and discharged for this crime. Hold Green until further advised.

[Signed] "JOHN R. BROWN, "Sheriff Claire County."

RESCUED FROM WRECKAGE.

THIRTEEN SAILORS PICKED UP.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SEATTLE, Dec. 27.—Particulars of the rescue, by the United States transport Garonne, of thirteen shipwrecked seamen of the ill-fated schooner Theresa Maria, in Philippine waters, about the middle of November, were received in this city today.

While en route from Vigan with twelve sick men from the Third Cavalry and Thirty-third Infantry, and fifty-six insurgent prisoners, the Garonne sighted wreckage, with men clinging to it, on her starboard bow. Capt. Conradi brought his ship around and dispatched lifeboats for those clinging to the wreckage. All were rescued and taken aboard the Garonne.

The Theresa Maria was bound for Santa Cruz from Manila, with rice and sugar. November 5 she encountered a squall, which swamped her. The members of the crew were three days and nights in the water without food or drink. Meanwhile several vessels passed them, all, unfortunately, failing to observe the Maria's distress.

GOV. GAGE'S PLANS FOR IMPOUNDING DAMS.

ADOPTED AT SACRAMENTO AND KIDDER TRIES TO RESIGN.

State Willing to Be Liable for Only a Quarter of a Million on a Total Cost of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 27.—The State Board of Examiners met today for the purpose of acting on the plans and specifications drawn by the Federal engineers and presented by Débris Commissioner John F. Kidder, for the construction of débris-impounding dams on the Yuba River, for which $500,000 has been appropriated, $250,000 by the State and a like amount by the Federal government. The members of the Débris Committee of the State Miners' Association were also present.

Gov. Gage and Secretary of State Curry favored adopting the plans involving an expenditure of $800,000, and adding a proviso that the State would be liable only for $250,000. Atty.-Gen. Ford advocated the adoption of a report providing for the expenditure of $500,000, and specifying the items for which the money should be expended.

Gov. Gage called attention to the fact that Commissioner Kidder had failed to indorse the plans sent in by him, and declared a recess to permit him to do so. After recess, the resolution prepared by Atty.-Gen. Ford was lost and a substitute to Curry's, drawn by Gov. Gage, adopting the $800,000 plans, but limiting the liability of the State to $250,000, was adopted.

After the question was settled, Gen. Kidder verbally offered his resignation as Débris Commissioner, but was informed that it would have to be made in writing. The resignation, however, has not yet been handed in.

After the meeting the Débris Committee of the Miners' Association met and notified our Senators and Congressmen of the action of the Board of Examiners, and urging them to do all possible to secure an extra appropriation of $150,000 for impounding work.

CABLES FROM KITCHENER.

KNOX ENGAGED WITH DEWET.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

LONDON, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The following dispatch has been received from Lord Kitchener:

"PRETORIA, Dec. 26.—Knox, with Barker, Pilcher and White, is engaged with Dewet's force, holding a position in the neighborhood of Leuwkop.

"Dewet hopes to break through and go south again.

"The Boers' eastern column in Cape Colony, apparently headed by our troops about Reitport Spruit. The Boers' western column is reported to have gone north in two portions, one toward Prieska and the other through Strydenburg. They are being followed up."

The following dispatch from Gen. Kitchener was received from Pretoria under today's (Thursday) date:

"Yesterday 200 Boers attacked a small police post near Boksdorp. The police gallantly drove them off before reinforcements from Johannesburg arrived. The Boers damaged the mining machinery in the neighborhood.

"The Boers attacked Utrecht at 2 o'clock this morning and were driven off.

"The Boers held up a train three miles west of Pan and were driven off.

"The eastern force of Boers in Cape Colony was headed yesterday and driven in the direction of Venterstad.

"The western force is still being driven north through Streidenburg."

ASYLUM TO PRISON.

HUGH BUCHANAN CONVICTED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

MARYSVILLE, Dec. 27.—The jury in the case of Hugh Buchanan, on trial during the past week for the murder of Billy Mills, the gambler, in 1894, brought in a verdict today of manslaughter, after being out all night. Buchanan will be sentenced on Saturday.

The case is one of particular interest, owing to the presence of a large array of expert witnesses, most of whom testified to the effect that the prisoner was insane at the time of the commission of the crime. Dr. Dozier of the Napa State Hospital, who has had the prisoner in charge for the past three years, however, testified that he believed Buchanan sane. Buchanan is the son of ex-Congressman Buchanan of Georgia.

RUMORS OF SURRENDER.

LEADERS SAVE THEMSELVES.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

BLOEMFONTEIN (Orange River Colony,) Wednesday, Dec. 26.—[By South African Cable.] There are renewed but unconfirmed rumors here that Gen. Dewet, President Steyn and Gen. Hasbroek have had a conference and decided to offer to surrender, providing the colonial rebels are not punished and the leaders, including themselves, are not deported.

YEOMANRY RELEASED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Evening Standard today says it understands that the squadron of Yeomanry which, as announced in a dispatch from Cape Town yesterday, was entrapped and captured by the Boers whom they were following from Britstown, were released after the men had been relieved of their horses and other equipment. Ten of the Yeomanry, the paper adds, were wounded.

BIG FIRE AT DIXON.

ALCALDE HOTEL DESTROYED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

DIXON, Dec. 27.—A disastrous fire visited this place today and for a time the entire business section of the town appeared to be doomed, but the prompt work of the fire department and citizens averted such a catastrophe, and the flames were confined almost wholly to the Alcalde Hotel, in which the fire started from a defective flue.

The flames spread with amazing rapidity, but owing to the prompt work of citizens and firemen, much valuable furniture was saved. The building was owned by Mrs. L. Kumle, and the loss will be about $20,000, with only $5500 insurance, Mrs. Kumle having allowed some of her policies to lapse. No one was injured during the conflagration.

The Alcalde Hotel was one of the oldest hotels in the interior of the State, having been constructed in 1872. The building contained about fifty rooms.

CAPT. NIPPERT'S GUILT.

HE'S SAFE FROM DISMISSAL.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Capt. F. A. Nippert of Co. F, First Infantry, N. G.C., recently tried by court-martial on charges of falsifying returns, disobedience of orders and neglect of duty, has been found guilty of all the accusations.

The findings of the court, which are now in the hands of Gen. Warfield, sentenced the captain to be dismissed from the service. Gen. Warfield, while approving the findings, has, in response to a recommendation for mercy made by the majority of the court, commuted the sentence and ordered Capt. Nippert to be publicly reprimanded.

NINTH LANCERS LOSE.

SUSTAIN EIGHT CASUALTIES.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

BURGERSDORP (Cape Colony,) Dec. 26.—[By South African Cable.] Col. Grenfell continues in touch with Kruitzinger's command of 700 men who are carrying off the British prisoners. Kruitzinger has abandoned his Maxims and carts. An attempt of the Ninth Lancers to turn Kruitzinger's flank at Plaisterheuvel December 24, resulted in eight casualties among the Lancers, including Lord Frederick Blackwood, who was wounded.

THREE CHILDREN DIE IN BURNING HOUSE.

ORIGIN OF THE BABE-CONSUMING FIRE A MYSTERY.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavery Drive a Cow to a Neighbor's and in Their Absence All is Lost Except the Hired Man.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

TACOMA (Wash.,) Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A terrible fatality occurred near Olympia yesterday, resulting in three children of Mr. and Mrs. Lavery being burned to death. The father is a wood dealer, and has a few cows upon his place. The family consisted of father, mother and three children, the latter all being under four years of age.

The parents left to drive a cow to a neighbor's, about two hundred and fifty yards away. The hired man was cutting wood, and for this reason the parents thought the children would be safe. A short time after their departure the hired man heard an explosion, and looking around, was horrified to see the Lavery home on fire. He ran at top speed to the house, but found it a mass of flames. Vainly he strove to enter the house to rescue the children. He was forced to stand by and see the little ones burned to death. He states that he heard no cries, so it is thought the children were mercifully suffocated by smoke.

A short time after this the parents returned, and a terrible sight met their gaze. The charred remains of their children could be seen in the burning embers. They lost everything, but the property loss was not considered.

How the fire started is unknown. The explosion was caused by some blasting powder, stored upstairs.

GOLD IN THE GOOSE.

RUSH TO PITT LAKE.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

VANCOUVER (B. C.,) Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A mild sensation was caused in New Westminster today by the discovery of $12.50 in coarse gold as big as flaxseed in the crop of a wild goose. After the reliability of the story had been proved beyond question by the local press, the details of the story were looked up.

The goose was killed by Dick Brad, a half-breed, at Pitt Lake, twenty-eight miles from Westminster, which is an outlet for a dozen small mountain creeks. The goose was sold to poultry dealers and purchased from them by Capt. Debeck of the government steamer Samson. The flake gold in the goose was discovered by the Chinese cook in the Debeck kitchen. There was a quantity of white sand in the crop, and the Chinaman called Mrs. Debeck to see it. When the captain came home for dinner he panned out the white sand, recovering the amount already mentioned. Colors could be seen in the pan before it was washed. Needless to say, many prospectors are making tracks for Pitt Lake.

HUNTINGTON'S PROPERTY.

WILL ADMITTED TO PROBATE.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The will of Collis P. Huntington was admitted to probate by Judge Coffey today. The petition was presented by Attorney J. E. Foulds, who stated that the only property belonging to the estate of the deceased railroad magnate in this city consisted of a mortgage interest in real property in the value of $50,000. Aside from this there was no personal property of any description, the mansion on California street standing in the name of the widow.

'FRISCO UNFORTUNATES.

TWO SUICIDES YESTERDAY.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The dead body of a man presumed to be Edward Feeney, a shoemaker, was taken from the bay this morning. It is supposed he committed suicide.

The body of Edward Clapp, a young man who engaged lodgings last night at a downtown lodging-house, was found this morning with the gas turned on. The young man had but little money, and is presumed to have committed suicide.

MANAC WIELDS AX.

TRIES TO KILL HIS MOTHER.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

OAKLAND, Dec. 27.—Laz Cohen, an insane man residing in Alameda, made a desperate attempt today to kill his mother with an ax. He had his mother on the floor of her room and was about to strike her when neighbors came to her rescue. After a desperate battle the maniac was overpowered and taken to the hospital.

Overdue Schooners.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Anxiety is expressed in shipping circles as to the fate of the schooner Wing and Wing, now out forty-four days from Port Hadlock. The trip can be made in twenty days. There is also overdue the schooner Parkersburg, twenty-two days out from Coquille River.

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"'Orangeine' is a necessity next to food and clothes," writes Mrs. Ella Badger, Denison, Texas.

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CALIFORNIA TEACHERS PASS LOS ANGELES BY.

WILL HOLD NEXT MEETING AT PACIFIC GROVE.

Richard J. Faulkner of San Francisco Chosen President—Vacancies of the Council of Education Filled—Papers and Addresses.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The California Teachers' Association today decided to hold its next annual meeting at Pacific Grove. The ballot stood, Pacific Grove, 32; Los Angeles, 20.

The following officers were unanimously elected: Richard J. Faulkner of San Francisco, president; O. W. Erlewine of Sacramento, first vice-president; Edward Hyatt of Riverside, second vice-president; Mrs. M. N. Fitzgerald of San Francisco, secretary; Charles C. Hughes of Alameda, assistant secretary; Phillip Pryor of San Francisco, treasurer; F. M. Bunker of Berkeley, railroad secretary.

The Executive Committee of the council of education held a meeting at the Mission High School in the morning and elected Frederick L. Burke of San Francisco, J. W. McClymonds of Oakland and James A. Barr to fill vacancies on the committee caused by the expiration of terms. The council will complete its work tomorrow morning.

The department of manual training and drawing met at 9:30 o'clock in the gymnasium of the Mission High School. Exhibits of the work in wood, iron, cloth, plaster and other materials of the pupils of the California School of Mechanical Arts, Wilmerding School of Polytechnic High School, San Francisco public schools, San José Normal School and the Throop Polytechnic Institute of Pasadena had been arranged in the gymnasium, forming a most effective lesson in the concrete of what the schools of the State are accomplishing in the direction of learning by doing.

James E. Addicott of the San José State Normal School presided at the meeting of the manual training department. Walter A. Tenney of Fresno read a paper on the "Relation of Drawing to Manual Training." Charles P. Nielson of Alameda gave an address on "Color Work in the Public Schools," after which there was a discussion of the question, "Should the drawing taught in the public schools tend to the Industrial arts or the fine arts?"

Short papers followed by Miss Calthea Vivian of San José and F. H. Myer of Stockton.

In the department of school administration, C. W. Childs of the San José Normal School presented the report of the Committee on Examinations. In the department of history, Mrs. Rose V. Winterburn of Stockton presented a paper on history in the grammar grades.

The department work was divided into twelve sections and in each department the programme consisted of the presentation of papers upon assigned topics. These were discussed by the teacher.

At the general session in the afternoon Miss Lillie J. Martin, assistant professor of psychology at Stanford University, delivered an address on "School-room Decorations from the Standpoint of Pyschology."

Rev. James R. Browne of Oakland delivered an address on "Moral Influences in Education."

BIGGEST STOCK RANCH.

LAND BOUGHT AT PHOENIX.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

PHOENIX (Ariz.,) Dec. 27.—Meyer Jacob of Tacoma, Wash., and M. Goldman today closed negotiations for the sale of 10,000 acres south of Phoenix, forming part of the old Wormser estate. A Chicago syndicate, headed by A. C. Bartlett, are the buyers, the amount of the purchase price being $250,000.

The new owners contemplate converting the land into one of the greatest stock ranches in the world. Jacob and others of Tacoma are heirs of the estate.

FORGED THE TELEGRAM.

CHARGE AGAINST A DRUGGIST.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—John Calvert, secretary of the State Board of Pharmacy, secured a warrant from Judge Frits today for the arrest of William A. Kampman, druggist, Hanford, Kings county, on the charge of delivering a false and forged message purporting to be received by telegraph.

The message, which purports to be signed by J. M. Good, secretary of the Missouri State Board of Pharmacy, stated that Kampman was a graduate of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. On this showing, alleged to be false, he obtained a certificate permitting him to practice in this State.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION.

WORK ON A LARGE SCALE.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

BERKELEY, Dec. 27.—University of California extension work will be conducted on a remarkably large scale next term. Instructors will be sent to any district in this State where twenty-five or more persons will join the class. The courses, so far as circumstances permit, will be similar in character to the regular university courses.

Each member will be charged a of $5 for enrollment in a term's work.

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BRIEF COAST DISPATCHES.

Capt. Stendel Murdered.

OAKLAND, Dec. 27.—Developments in the mystery of the disappearance of Capt. Herman Stendel of the sloop Lulu from Point Richmond have reached a stage where the authorities of Contra Costa county were convinced that murder was done; that Stendel was the victim of a bay pirate's quarrel, and was killed by a companion, for whom Sheriff Veale of Martinez is now searching in three counties. The identity of the supposed murderer is not known, but he is supposed to have escaped in a green sloop which was anchored off the point on the night that cries for help were heard by the wharf watchman.

To Examine Walden's Books.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The State Board of Prison Directors has appointed Norman McClaren as expert to examine the books of Accountant Walden, who has mysteriously disappeared from San Quentin. It is stated that Walden's wife is also missing.

New French Consul Arrives.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Baron H. de St. Laurent, the French Consul at Voncouver, B. C., has arrived here to become acting Consul in place of the late Paul Antoine. He will have charge of the consulate pending the appointment of a permanent Consul.

Peters's Body Recovered.

OAKLAND, Dec. 27.—The body of George Peters, the missing sailor from the British ship Osborn unloading at Long Wharf, was found in the bay today. Peters fell off the ship some time last night. It was not a case of suicide.

Vessels Report Losses.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Two vessels that arrived today brought reports of damage sustained in the storms along the northern coast. The bark Fresno from Port Gamble got into a heavy southeaster, and had four lower top-gallant yards carried away. The schooner Charles E. Falk reported that during a storm she lost part of her deckload.

Steamer Sonoma's Run.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The new steamer Sonoma, built for the Oceanic Steamship Company, has arrived after a record-breaking run from Philadelphia. She came around Cape Horn in 38 days 9 hours, making no stops. The best previous time was that made by the Sierra, she making the run in 43 days 6 hours. She stopped at Coronel, however. The Sonoma is a sister ship of the Sierra. She is to be placed on the run to Honolulu and Australia.

Van Anda Mines Sold.

VANCOUVER (B. C.,) Dec. 27.—The Van Anda mines on Texada Island, near British Columbia, owned by New York and Seattle capitalists, have been sold to an English syndicate, at the head of which is John Lowles, ex-member of Parliament, for $5 per cent. of the stock, the purchasers paying $450,000.

Can Treble the Verdict.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—A jury in Circuit Judge Morrow's court today returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the suit of Edward S. Lowrey against the Tile, Mantel and Grate Association of California. The jury allows the plaintiff $500 attorney fees, and costs of suit. The court is empowered to treble the amount of the verdict under the Sherman act.

Can Transfer Its Franchise.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The Street Committee of the Board of Supervisors today took favorable action on the petition of the San Francisco and San Joaquin Valley Railroad Company for a franchise on Tombigbee street, and also recommended the passage to print the form of ordinance submitted by that company, which form confers the right upon the company to transfer its franchise to the Santa Fé Railroad, the latter being in control of the Valley road.

They Talked of Prunes.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 27.—A joint meeting of the directors of the California Cured Fruit Association and the Packers' Association was held today. The whole prune situation was thoroughly discussed, together with a proposition to reduce prices and allow the differential to eastern jobbers that prevailed in the past. No action, however, was taken, and the meeting adjourned until next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a.m.

Some Things Attractive

Will be found below. They are deserving of attention at any time, but we have placed them today before you in a particularly attractive light. The magnetism will be found in the prices, and the goods themselves are very desirable and worthy.

Damask Table Cloths.

This is a line of ready-made cloths, pure bleached damask, handsome patterns, bordered all around, and make a very rich looking cloth. Now pay particular attention to these sizes and prices and we think they will create a desire in you to see them:

A 2 Yd Cloth	A 2 1-2 Yd Cloth	A 3 Yd Cloth
85c	$1.00	$1.25

Dress Flannelettes. A large assortment of patterns and colors in these goods, nicely fleecee, most appropriate for wrappers or morning gowns; see this price?..... 7½c

Wool Eiderdowns. Now you've got a pretty good idea of what wool eiderdown is worth. These are plain colors, pink, blue, red and cream. What's better for a dressing sacque, or baby cloak?..... 19c

A Talk on Pillows

We'll make a few preliminary remarks, by way of introduction, and let the prices do the rest. These pillows are covered with fine white muslin and comfortably filled with silk floss, and you may buy them as follows:

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We've cut the life out of prices on all fancy goods suitable for New Years presents. We've sold more goods than we ever sold in any previous Christmas season—more than any half dozen of the combine stores sold put together, and we

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on what remains. Yesterday was almost as big a day as we had before Christmas. Made so by our special reduced prices.

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DEFENDS HIS DEAD BROTHER

Horace Booz Before the Court of Inquiry.

Late Cadet Not Cowardly or Untruthful.

Breth's Comrades Tell of Some Trying Ordeals—Hazing Not Thought Brutal.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WEST POINT (N. Y.,) Dec. 27.—There was an unusually large attendance of spectators at the military court of inquiry today. Horace C. Booz, a civil engineer, of Buffalo, and P. O. Phillips of East Cleveland, who was heralded as a Congressman, but told the press representatives that he was never elected to Congress, were the chief witnesses. The former's testimony was principally a refutation of the statements made about his brother, former Cadet Oscar L. Booz, of Bristol, Pa., who died recently. Several of the cadet witnesses during the progress of the investigation had accused Booz of having shown cowardice in his fight with Cadet Kellar in August, 1898, and they also accused him of untruthfulness.

Lieut. Coe, instructor of mathematics, in his testimony last week, stated that Booz was not possessed of sufficient mental capacity to pass the necessary examination at the academy. His brother stated today that this was not so, as the manner in which the former cadet had passed his examinations at the preparatory school at Bustleton, Pa., was sufficient to prove that Oscar was possessed of sufficient intellect. He said Oscar was not untruthful, and he was anything but a coward.

Mr. Phillips's principal reason for appearing before the court was to show that he had not visited the academy in 1898 for the purpose of saving his son from being hazed.

One of the witnesses at the morning session informed the court that he had seen Cadet Breth so far exhausted from severe "exercising" that stimulants had to be given him in his tent, in 1897.

In the afternoon two other cadets of Breth's class said they had seen him in a nervous condition, his body, arms and legs twitching, after he had been hazed, but one of them said he believed Breth was pretending prostration.

It was learned after the court had adjourned that Horace Booz had not volunteered his testimony. He was summoned by the court, and arrived here last Saturday, after the court had adjourned until after Christmas. Gen. Brooke, Gen. Bates and Gen. Clous offered to take his testimony on Saturday, but he objected, saying that he wished as much publicity given to his testimony in his brother's behalf as had been given to the testimony against him on the grounds of untruthfulness and cowardly conduct.

BRETH'S ORDEALS.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WEST POINT, Dec. 27.—Cadet Willis G. Peace of North Carolina of the first-class, was the first witness today. He saw former Cadet Breth hazed in 1897. The witness, after being frequently asked to describe the forms of hazing to which Breth was subjected, replied: "I think they were the usual forms, such as holding out Indian clubs until it became tiresome, doing 'Wooden Willie' and other things which were in vogue at that time. Breth was a very awkward man, and did not seem to be able to do anything right. He was subject to nervousness and was easily rattled.

"I got a letter from Breth about six months after he left here. In it he tried to explain his difficulty in doing things right while at the post here, and said that he had been suffering from sickness all the time he was in camp. He had hoped to get better in barracks, but did not."

"Is there any hatred or feeling in existence between first-class men and fourth-class men?" asked Gen. Bates.

"I don't believe there is any feeling on the part of the first-class against the fourth-class men, but there may be on the part of the fourth-class men against the upper-class," replied Cadet Peace. "This may be accounted for by the treatment of the lower-class men, but this feeling passes away when the cadets are advanced to the third class."

NOT CONSIDERED BRUTAL.

Peace went on to say that he did not consider "exercising" brutal. "Then you don't think that being required to exert yourself physically against your will almost to the point of exhaustion brutal?" exclaimed Gen. Bates.

"I was 'exercised' myself, sir, and I did not think it was brutal. It was uncomfortable, but I never knew it to result in permanent injury."

The witness said there were some men who used to haze more than others, and that some of them seemed to be without the faculty of judging when a man had enough.

"I should say that if a cadet were hazed to such a degree that he would be injured or had to be helped by his fellows, the hazing would be brutal," said Cadet Peace.

This answer was given after Gen. Bates had intimated to the witness that in case a cadet died from the effects of such hazing the law would hold all of those who took part in it responsible for the man's death.

Cadet Allen C. Kaye of Minnesota, who came next, said he had seen Cadet Breth the night before he left the academy. Breth seemed very much cast down at being deficient. He did not complain of illness, nor did he say anything of his treatment by the cadets while here.

In reply to Gen. Brooke, the witness said he had never hazed a man beyond the limit of his endurance; he never saw a man faint or become exhausted from hazing, and had not heard of such a case.

"Do you think it is for the physical benefit of a cadet to have him 'eagled' seventy times?" inquired Gen. Clous.

"Yes, sir, I should say it is. I did it myself, and I think it benefited me," was the ready reply.

Cadet John M. Pearson of Tennessee, when asked if he ever hazed Cadet Booz, answered in the negative. In describing several forms of exercising, he said: "Choo-chooing is the most exhausting. The man is required to get down and use hands and legs as rapidly as possible in propelling himself over the ground."

The next witness was R. C. Booz, civil engineer, of Buffalo, a brother of the late cadet, Oscar Booz. The witness had not seen his brother during the time he was in the West Point Academy in 1898. Mr. Booz continued:

BOOZ'S COMPLAINTS.

"I received a letter from him shortly after he went to the academy. In it he said he felt very strange at the place, as it was his first experience away from home. In the second letter, which I got about the 1st of August, he told me he would be called out to fight in about a week. He complained of having had to take tobasco sauce and suffered from a sore throat in consequence. He claimed it was forced down his throat, and he had to swallow it or choke."

"Have you got those letters?" asked Gen. Clous.

"I have not, sir; I destroyed all the letters I got from him while here," replied the witness.

"In other letters which I got from him," the witness added, "he complained of being hazed and said he was being treated more severely than others. Later in the year he wrote to me suggesting that my father allow him to send in his resignation. Oscar was not fresh, and was not the kind of a boy that would be hazed."

"Did he ever mention any names of the men who hazed him?" Gen. Clous asked.

"No; he did not."

Continuing, the witness said he objected to Oscar leaving the academy. "I saw him after he left, but did not speak to him of his treatment."

WIDOW GETS DAMAGES FOR A LYNCHING.

FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR MURDER OF HUSBAND.

Mrs. Lulu C. Jenkins's Claim Against Sheriff of Ripley County, Indiana, Finally Settled Out of Court—Her Husband One of Five Victims of Mob.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Lulu C. Jenkins, now of Chicago, has just been awarded $4000 for the lynching of her husband in Ripley county, Ind., three years ago. The money will be paid over by the eight bondsmen of former Sheriff Henry Bushing, and is the result of a private settlement of the indemnity suit instituted by the widow three months after the murder. This puts an end to a case that has aroused attention all over the United States.

William Jenkins was one of five men lynched in September, 1897, for alleged complicity in the stealing of a horse from Lisle Levi of Osgood, Ind. Levi also was a victim of the mob. The men killed were Robert Andrews, Heibe Schuester, William Jenkins, Clifford Gordon, a seventeen-year-old boy, and Lisle Levi, an aged soldier. There was a fight in which shots were fired at a deputy sheriff. Jenkins, with the others, was arrested and taken to jail at Versailles, Ind.

Mrs. Jenkins, suspecting that mob violence was brewing, walked from Osgood to Versailles that night and paced the street till dawn, armed with a revolver. For several hours she waited under the window of her husband's cell ready to challenge any who came to do him harm.

Her fears being finally allayed, Mrs. Jenkins started home. No sooner was she out of sight than a mob gathered. Dragging out the five men, the members of the mob killed them in succession by beating them over the head with a musket stock. Mrs. Jenkins was compelled to flee to save her own life. Coming to Chicago, she brought suit for $5000 before Judge Baker in the United States Circuit Court against Bushing's bondsmen. The suit dragged along for three years and finally the bondsmen decided to settle outside of court.

Mrs. Jenkins, when compelled several months ago to go to Ripley county to attend the trial of the case, was protected by a bodyguard of government detectives. She will go to Versailles next week to get the $4000.

FIRST BLOW STRUCK IN SCRANTON STRIKE.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT HAS HIS HAT KNOCKED OFF.

Two Strikers Rush Him into a Saloon—Others Help the Police to Disperse the Mob—Local Business Men Take Men's Side.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SCRANTON (Pa.,) Dec. 27.—The first blow struck in the street-car men's strike was received this evening by William Patterson, the new superintendent of the Scranton Railway Company. Teamsters blocked the car that he was running, and breaker boys and street urchins assaulted it with potatoes. When the trolley-car reached strike headquarters, the strikers boarded it and attempted to take off the crew. Someone pulled Superintendent Patterson from the car, and he was struck on the head with a fist or club that knocked off his hat and caused him to reel. Two strikers, Edward and Joseph Henly, brothers, rushed the superintendent into a saloon, protecting him from the crowd with great difficulty. The other strikers helped the police officers disperse the crowd, and also helped the company officials to take the stalled car to the barn.

Eleven cars were moved today, but not more than six at one time. As far as is known, not a single passenger was carried.

Twenty-three of the fifty-three men who came from New York last night, returned today. Only eleven reached the company's office. The others are scattered about the city. Provisions for the imported men arrived today from Philadelphia. The local business men refuse to sell the company supplies. The letter-carriers have hired busses at their own expense, and will not ride in cars hereafter.

Two men from Williamsport, one from Sunbury and one from Binghamton, were turned back by the strikers today. The company secured six men last night from St. Louis, who refused to listen to the strikers' entreaties.

SOUTHERN EDUCATORS.

Tenth Annual Convention of the Association in Session at Richmond, Virginia.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

RICHMOND (Va.,) Dec. 27.—The tenth annual convention of the Southern Educational Association met here today. Addresses of welcome were made by Gov. Tyler and others. R. B. Fulton, chancellor of the University of Mississippi, president of the association, delivered his annual address.

The morning session was concluded with a paper read by Miss C. S. Parish, professor of psychology and philosophy at the Randolph Macon Women's College at Lynchburg, Va., on the subject, "Education for Southern Women."

This afternoon the association had six conferences, and later the members attended a reception at the executive mansion.

CHINA.

(CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

series of desperate experiences, is in San Francisco on the way to his former home in Bavaria. He was stationed in Southern Shantung, and sixty native villages were under his charge.

When the Boxers began their murderous campaign he received a peremptory order to get out of the country. He decided to make his way to Kiao Chao, and started for the Grand Canal. He was accompanied by one native servant, and the native head man gave him protection until he reached the canal. He secured a small junk and at once embarked on his long journey.

He had not gone far before he fell into the hands of Boxers, who robbed him of his clothing and money. He was then attacked with typhoid fever, and while desperately sick fell into the hands of a second band of Boxers. They threatened to bind him up and deliver him over to the authorities, but finally permitted him to go.

RUSSIA TAKES RAILWAYS.

NOT VERY BADLY DAMAGED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The Novoe Vremya's Vladivostok correspondent stands by the story that the Russian government is about to take over the Manchurian railroads. He says Commander Keller has left Vladivostok to formally deliver the roads to the government's representatives. The correspondent also says the Chinese caused losse amounting to only 4,000,000 roubles.

The arrival of larger or smaller bodies of soldiers from China is announced almost daily from southern ports.

JUNKS BLOCK THE CHANNEL.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 27.—Many Chinese war junks, laden with stone, have been anchored off Wu Sung, presumably to block the channel in case of an emergency.

CRUELTIES BY TROOPS.

FRENCH DEPUTIES ADDRESSED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

PARIS, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] In the Chamber of Deputies today Marcel Sembat, Radical Socialist, representing one of the districts of the Seine, called attention to the reports of cruelties on the part of the European troops in China. He said the French soldiers were no freer from reproach than the Germans and Russians. They had committed similar atrocities. He also protested against pillage, which, he asserted, had been carried on systematically, and he accused the missionaries of participating therein.

The Minister of Marine, M. De Lanessan, replied that the government had ordered an inquiry, and would severely punish all the guilty parties, but as a consolation he was able to say that the French soldiers were much less barbarous than those of other nations. The government, the Minister continued, had ordered all the articles sent by Gen. Frey to be returned to China and restored to the Chinese government.

M. De Lanessan continued with the expression of hope that the reprehensible acts committed would not be renewed.

OBJECT TO THE TERMS.

CHINESE PAPERS' COMMENT.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 28.—[By Asiatic Cable.] The Chinese newspapers here object to the proposed peace terms. The Universal Gazette considers that the Princes and officials who are to be punished should be named. It is questionable whether Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang is included among these punishable, and so far as Prince Tuan is concerned, it is well known that the Chinese Peace Commissioners have been instructed not to consent to any punishment of a person of royal blood, exceeding imprisonment.

Some of the native journals hold that the presence of permanent legation guards will render the Emperor's return impossible, because these would be a menace to the court.

"China," says one of them, "would be powerless to suppress risings, because prohibited from increasing her military strength, and the powers therefore, would renew hostilities again, and the people would be mowed down like hemp."

MRS. MILLER CAUGHT, BUT NOT ARRESTED.

FOUND WITH HER CHILD AT LAWRENCE, KAS.

She Gives Up the Boy and Leaves for New York—Announces Intention to Bring Suit to Recover Possession of Her Offspring.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 28.—Sydney Miller, the seven-year-old son of Samuel D. Miller, the grandson of former United States Atty.-Gen. W. H. H. Miller, who was kidnaped by his mother yesterday evening, was recovered this morning. Mrs. Miller and the child were found at Lawrence about 3 o'clock, asleep in a house where they had obtained lodging. Mrs. Miller gave up the child, and was not placed under arrest.

Mrs. Miller came here from her home in New York, and stopped at the Denison Hotel. By arrangement with her husband, who has had the custody of the child since their separation last summer, Mrs. Miller was allowed to see the boy once a day. Yesterday afternoon the child was taken to the hotel by his governess. Mrs. Miller called a carriage. The governess objected to having the boy leave her side, as she had been warned that an attempt to kidnap might be made. Mrs. Miller said she was only going out for a drive, but the girl insisted on going along. The carriage was ordered to be driven to the Union station. The governess sprang out and telephoned the father of the child to come to the station. The detectives and other searchers were unable to find any trace of the cabman, George Senour, until early this morning, when he was found at his home. He said he was ordered to drive to the Massachusetts-avenue station, after going to the station.

At Massachusetts avenue, Mrs. Miller seemed to change her mind, and ordered him to go on to Brightwood. At this station, it was ascertained that the train which Mrs. Miller had counted on taking had left. Senour left her at Twenty-fifth street, contracting with a liveryman to take her to Lawrence. The clew furnished by Senour enabled the officers to trace the woman.

Mrs. Miller left Lawrence early today on the west-bound train, presumably for New York. Before leaving, she announced that she would bring suit for possession of the boy.

PEACEMAKER SHOT BY ANARCHISTS.

CHIEF OF BARRE, VT., POLICE MORTALLY WOUNDED.

Officers Had Stopped a Desperate Hand-to-hand Fight at a Socialist Ball Before Attempted Assassination. Victim Identifies His Assailants.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

BARRE (Vt.,) Dec. 27.—After quelling a disturbance that had arisen at a meeting held by an Italian social society early today, Chief of Police Brown was shot after leaving the hall and probably mortally wounded. Otto Bernachio and Luigi Sassi have been arrested and identified by the Chief as being connected with the attempted assassination.

The row at the Socialist ball occurred about midnight, when several persons who were known to be anarchists, appeared at the hall. Fists, clubs and revolvers were used, and the police were summoned to put a stop to the disturbance. After considerable difficulty the combatants were separated and disarmed, and the anarchists were expelled. This seemed to settle the difficulty and the police withdrew.

As Chief Brown was making his way along a lonely street he heard a shot, and a bullet whistled by his head. This seemed a signal for a fusillade from the different directions, and the Chief started to run, at the same time trying to open his coat and get his own revolver. However, two bullets struck him, and as he fell a third found lodgment in his body. In the excitement after the first shot three men had appeared, the Chief recognizing them all. When they saw him fall the men ran away. The Chief became unconscious and for an hour lay where he had fallen in the snow, exposed to the bitter cold.

At the end of that time a passer-by saw him and the Chief was taken to his home, where he recovered consciousness and was able to tell who his assailants were. The police then put Otto Bernachio and Luigi Sassi under arrest. Chief Brown identified both. Doctors express doubt as to his recovery.

VENEZUELAN WAR.

Government Forces Overtake and Defeat Invaders—Gen. Uribe and Followers Retreat.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—United States Charge Beaupre at Bogota has cabled the State Department that he has been informed by the Colombian government that the invading troops were overtaken by the government forces at Rosario; also that their leader, Gen. Uribe, was defeated at Corazol, in the province of Volivar. He was retreating with a few remaining followers through the department of Magdalena toward the Venezuelan line. The war is said to be progressing favorably for the Colombian government.

BERESFORD'S CONDITION SERIOUS.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Lord William Beresford, who has been suffering from peritonitis, passed a very bad night, and much anxiety is felt. Later in the day it was announced that Lord Beresford had rallied slightly since this morning, but that his condition was very grave.

KNEW HIS BUSINESS.

Knew Something Besides What He Read In Books.

The wise, up-to-date, modern doctor is no longer tied down to the hard and fast rules of what his medical books say he shall use and what he may withhold in treating his patient.

The successful doctor nowadays is the one who is quick to avail himself of any remedy, new or old which holds out a chance of cure no matter whether it is Allopathic, Homeopathic or neither one.

Dr Jennison, in an interesting article on indigestion and dyspepsia says: "Nine tenths of all people who apply to me for advice and treatment think they have this ailment or that ailment, but I find on close examination that their whole trouble arises from poor digestion.

They have little appetite and if they do have an appetite the food they eat does them no good. Why? Because it is but half digested, causing thin blood, weak nerves, sleeplessness, aching bones, pains in chest, formation of gases, belching, etc. They tell me they believe they have consumption, or heart disease, rheumatism, nervous prostration, in fact most every disease but the right one.

In reality the whole trouble is in the stomach and nowhere else. Now what I do with such people? I don't feed them on pre-digested foods like babies, nor "stomach bitters" nor patent nostrums which I know nothing about. No honorable physician will prescribe a remedy unless he knows what it contains and its probable effects.

For all such patients I have but one prescription, I advise them to go to the nearest drug store and get a 50c box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I use them with remarkable success in all cases of indigestion and stomach trouble, because I know what Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets consist of and what they will do. They contain the vegetable essences, diastase and government test pepsin, which are the things every weak stomach lacks to restore natural digestive vigor and if I had dyspepsia myself it is the one remedy I should take.

When a patient comes to me complaining of dull headaches, sour stomach, bad taste, nervousness, belching of gas, or heart trouble which is generally caused from indigestion I tell him to take one or two of Stuart's Tablets after each meal and as often during the day as he has any trouble and I feel confident I have given that patient the best advice I could give."

Stuart's Dyspepsia tablets are large, pleasant tasting lozenges, containing diastase and pepsin combined with fruit and vegetable essences. They are not cathartic and do not act on any particular organ like ordinary drugs but simply act entirely on the food eaten. They are a natural digestive, pure and simple.

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WANTED TO DIE.

Stella Horton had a quarrel with a man named McNamara in the Abbott lodging-house, No. 145½ North Spring street, at 2:30 o'clock this morning, and concluded that she wanted to die. She took a teaspoonful of landanum, which had little effect. The woman was taken to the Police Station and soon recovered.

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[SPORTING RECORD.]

TERRY STAYS ON THIS SIDE.

Ben Jordan Remains on the Other Side.

And Hands Can't Reach Across the Sea.

Queen May Forbid Prince to Come to Yacht Races. Horse Events.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Although Ben Jordan has signed to fight Terry McGovern in England at the National Sporting Club on Derby night, it is doubtful whether the affair will ever come off. McGovern, according to Joe Humphreys, is not inclined to visit the other side at present, and as Jordan has also made up his mind to remain in London, the chances of the two meeting, at least in England, seem remote. Humphreys, who has been delegated by McGovern to look out for his interests in the east, said Terry has received an offer to box an "unknown" at San Francisco within a month. He said the club there will hang up a purse of $5000 for the battle.

Humphreys called on Joe Marcias, "Kid" Broad's manager, today for the purpose of clinching a twenty-round fight between Broad and Terry. A new stub, which is being organized at Hartford, is ready to give the pair a large purse to meet during the first week in February. Charley White has been appointed referee of the club. Marcias said that nothing would please him better than a match between Broad and McGovern.

JEFFRIES AND RUHLIN WILL GET TOGETHER.

DEPOSITS OF COIN MADE YESTERDAY AT CINCINNATI.

President Guckenburger of the Atlas National Bank Says the Saengerfest Athletic Club Has No Fear of Interference from Any Source.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] The present indications are that the Jeffries-Ruhlin fight will be pulled off here as scheduled, and there is no chance of it being declared off. George Guckenburger, president of the Atlas National Bank, and one of the incorporators of the Saengerfest Athletic Club, said:

"We expect to give the contest as per the former announcement, and do not anticipate the least inconvenience from any source. I cannot understand how the report that the contest has been declared off started. Today the Saengerfest Athletic Club, as well as Jeffries and Ruhlin, deposited $2500 each as an evidence of good faith, with the Atlas National Bank. This certainly does not look as if there would be anything called off.

"It may be the report was startad by the announcement which we made to the effect that immediately after the Jeffries-Ruhlin contest, Saengerfest Hall will be torn down."

Mayor Fleishmann has said he did not propose to open the city to prize fighters and he will not. After the Ruhlin-Jeffries bout, there will not be a large inclosure in this city or near it where a contest can be held.

THEY HISSED BULLMAN FOR HIS BAD WORK.

GOLDEN AGE LEFT AT POST IN FOURTH TANFORAN RACE.

Articulate Wins a Race by a Neck from Bard of Avon—Sixty-to-one Shot May Boy Upsets the Talent in the Hurdle Event.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Golden Age, favorite for the fourth race at Tanforan today, was left at the post after receding in the betting. The affair made a bad impression on the spectators, and Bullman, who rode Hildreth's colt, was loudly hissed. Starter Dyer said Golden Age bolted across the track. Articulate, a greatly improved colt, won the race by a neck from Bard of Avon.

The hurdle event resulted in a complete upset. May Boy, a 60-to-1 shot, winning from Lomo, the second choice. Eva Moe, the favorite, tired badly and finished last.

Slap Dash took the last race by a head from Tola, the favorite. Two first choices won. The weather was fine and the track fast. Results:

Mile and a sixteenth, purse: Opponent, 87 (J. Daly,) 7 to 5, won; Walkenshaw, 102 (O'Connor,) 5 to 1, second; Free Lance, 106 (J. Wood,) 5 to 1, third; time 1:48. Meadow Lark, Ping, Acrobat, Jennie Reid, Perseus, Snips and Tirade also ran.

One mile, purse: MacGyle, 102 (Mounce,) 3½ to 1, won; Parmenion, 104 (O'Connor,) 4 to 5, second; Spike, 103 (Stuart,) 3 to 1, third; time 1:42¼. Royal Prize, Ulloa, Free Pass, Synia, Gold Baron and King's Pal also ran.

Hurdle, handicap, a mile and three-quarters: May Boy, 120 (Worthington,) 60 to 1, won; Lomo, 159 (Cairns,) 9 to 5, second; Mike Rice, 129 (Barton,) 2 to 1, third; time 3:21. Charles Lebel and Eva Moe also ran.

Six furlongs: Articulate, 103 (Mounce,) 6½ to 1, won; Bard of Avon, 100 (Dominick,) 10 to 1, second; Silurian, 105 (O'Connor,) 5 to 1, third; time 1:13½. Ada N., Joe Frey and Golden Age also ran.

Mile and a quarter, selling: Morinel, 101 (Dominick,) 9 to 5, won; Owensboro, 101 (Coburn,) 3½ to 1, second; La Borgia, 92 (Ranch,) 20 to 1, third; time 2:07. Goenig, Sir Rollo, Topmast, Locochee and Imperious also ran.

Five and a half furlongs, purse: Slap Dash, 106 (Bullman,) 4 to 1, won; Tola, 106 (Dominick,) 9 to 5, second; Harslane, 106 (O'Connor,) 10 to 1, third; time 1:08¾. Cambaceres, El Fonso, Limb of the Law, Long Tom, Spindle, Immodell and Follow Me also ran.

Coming—the biggest bargain movement in our history—keep your eyes open.

The Broadway Department Store

We will start next week the biggest bargain movement of merchandise in our history.

Last Bargain-Friday of the Century.

Such bargains as these make a fitting climax for the biggest year of bargains Los Angeles ever had. Our Bargain-Fridays have caught the town.

10c Wrapper Flannel for 5c.
Remnants—stripes and figures, regular 10c flannel, Bargain Friday, 5c.

Remts. Sheeting per yd. 11c.
Bleached or unbleached, 6-4 to 10-4 and worth from 15c to 20c, at one price Bargain Friday, 11c.

Remts. Percales per yd. 5c.
In good colors and worth 10c a yard, 36 inches wide. A Bargain Friday special at 5c.

Remts. 75c Fr'ch Flannels 39c.
Atlantics and Dresdens, printed or plain, in a good line of the best colors, all useable lengths, the regular 75c quality, for Bargain Friday only at 39c.

85c Taffeta Silks for 43c.
Good, firm quality, black and colors, remnants of the quality that sells elsewhere for 85c, here Bargain Friday only at 43c.

19c Black Brocades for 10c.
Remnants—but all the lengths that are so much in demand, the quality that is never sold for less than 19c, Bargain Friday only 10c.

Men's 12 1-2c Hdkfs. for 6 1-4c
With colored borders, hemstitched, linen finished, a little soiled but worth 12½c, Bargain Friday only 6¼c.

Men's Laund'd Shirts for 49c.
Broken lines—of fancy percales with cuffs to match, long or short bosoms, open or closed fronts, shirts worth up to $1 to go Bargain Friday at 49c.

Boys' 39c Underwear for 15c.
An odd lot of cotton ribbed and merino shirts, drawers or pants, Bargain Friday only at 15c.

Child's 25c San'y Und'w'r 9c.
Vests or pants, good weight and quality, the kind that sells regularly for 25c, priced specially for Bargain Friday at 9c.

Child's 25c Union Suits 12 1-2c
Natural color, fleece lined, open down the front and across the back, regular 25c garments, Bargain Friday only 12½c.

Child's 19c Underwear for 11c.
Vests or pants, fleece lined, Jersey ribbed, taped necks, pants have elastic bands, cream color, regular 19c values for 11c.

Shoe Prices Go Down.

Today Will Be the Biggest Friday in the History of the Shoe Department.

We are determined to clean up and close out several broken and short lines of Ladies' and Children's Shoes. The deep cuts we have made show how dead in earnest we are.

1.48 **Broken Lines $2, $3, $3.50 Oxfords Today $1.48** 1.48
There are tan kid oxfords in varieties from the plain soft kid, to those with the fancy silk vesting tops, all widths of toes, hand turned soles, $1.48. Also southern ties, black and tan, with hand turned soles, handsome silk vesting tops—coin toes—kid or patent leather tips, $1.48. We've grouped them all on a convenient table where you can see what there are in sizes and styles.....

33c **500 pairs Infants' 75c Shoes Bargain Friday 33c** 33c
You mothers ought to jump at this. If you could see the shoes, see how pretty and well made they are, you would buy us out before noon. Buttoned or laced, with hand-turned soles, kid or patent tips, sizes 2, 2½ and 3; going today at .....

59c **Children's $1.00 and $1.25 Shoes Today 59c** 59c
Play shoes for the little ones, made from kangaroo calf, with heavy solid soles, square or round toes, buttoned or laced, well made and finished; an extra special for today only.....

48c **About 1000 prs Women's $2 to $5 Shoes today 48c** 48c
They are odd sizes and broken lots, to be sure, but then if your size and style is here what does it matter to you? Buttoned and laced, welts and turned soles, patent and kid tips. The lots are broken—that's why the price is broken. Bargain Friday .....

Ladies' Cheviot Gaiter Tops 13c.
Wool too, with silk worked button holes and bound with silk braid. They are the 50c sorts, but we are going to make a stir with them today at..... 13c

Ladies' Jersey Leggins 59c.
15 inches long, all wool, plain or fancy golf toppings, button or stockinet style. Just the thing for bicycle, golf or rainy day wear. Regular $1.25 values. Bargain Friday.... 59c

The Busy Store---Fourth and Broadway.

Ladies' $1 Wrappers for 59c
Of heavy percale in dark colors, trimmed with ruffles over the shoulder and finished with a colored, washable braid, extra wide skirt, fitted waist lining, Bargain Friday only, 59c.

Ladies' Fascinators for 55c
Crocheted of all-wool yarn in a variety of patterns, wide border to match, some have silk cross threads, all colors. They are our 65c, 75c, 85c and $1 lines, to go at one price, one day, Bargain Friday only, 55c.

Ladies' Jackets for $1.98
Of all wool covert in gray and castor, 31 inches, double breasted and lined throughout with Romane silk—our regular $3.98 and $4.89 Jackets, Bargain Friday only, $1.98.

Ladies' Dress Skirts for 98c
Of black brilliantine and fancy checked material, cut full shape and lined with percale, specially priced for Bargain Friday, at 98c.

Remnants of Elastic, pr yd, 1c
In black or white, good strong quality, worth 7½c, 8½c and 10c, to go this one day, Friday, at the one price of 1c.

Remnants Skirt Binding per yd 1c
Velveteen, Corduroy or Brush edge, Bargain Friday only 1c.

6 1-4c Outing Flannel for 3c
Remnants, of light or dark colors, quality worth 6¼c, Bargain Friday only 3c.

20c Table Oil Cloth for 14c
45 inches wide and in red, brown and assorted colors—also white and marble—an exceptional value at 20c, Bargain Friday only 14c.

63c Blankets for 58c
Cotton, either tan gray or white, 10-4 size with striped borders of assorted colors. Specially priced for Bargain Friday at 58c.

7 1-2c Japanese Crepe for 5c
27 inches wide and with red, blue or yellow grounds—the 7½c quality. Special for one day only, Friday, at 5c.

3c Shelf Oil Cloth for 1c
Short pieces, good quality and pattern, good edge, an extra value at 3c. Priced specially for Friday's special selling at 1c.

Ladies' 75c Fl'n'l'te Gowns 49c
An odd lot, Mother Hubbard styles, with lay-down collars, light or dark colors, gowns that sell usually for 75c, Bargain Friday only 49c.

New Orleans Results.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 27.—Results: Mile, selling: Blocker won Sunlocks second, Petit Maitre third; time 1:43.

Six furlongs, selling: Syncopated Sandy won, Matin second, Collearve third; time 1:15¼.

Six furlongs, selling: Cogswell won, Shut Up second, Boomerack third; time 1:16.

Six and one-half furlongs: Sir Florian won, Annoy second, Bloroni third; time 1:21¾.

Six furlongs, selling: Commando won, Juneatte second, Horse Shoe Tobacco third; time 1:15¼.

Mile and one-sixteenth, selling: Dick Furber won, Spurs second, Phidias third; time 1:49¾.

VISIT OF THE PRINCE.

THE QUEEN MAY FORBID IT.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The English people will be delighted if the Prince of Wales can see his way to accept the invitation which it is reported is to be extended to him by the New York Yacht Club to be present at the races for the America's cup, says the London correspondent of the Tribune.

The Prince is an enthusiastic yachtsman, and he has more than once expressed a desire to see one of the great yachting matches between England and America, but circumstances may arise to prevent him leaving England next autumn.

The Queen will not allow him to visit Australia for the commonwealth celebrations, and notwithstanding that New York is only a week's voyage from London, Her Majesty may, on account of her great age and increasing infirmities, not consider it advisable that he should again cross the Atlantic Ocean during her lifetime.

NOTHING KNOWN OF IT.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Nothing is known at the White House concerning the story cabled from London to the effect that the New York Yacht Club would invite Emperor William of Germany and the Prince of Wales to witness the yacht races for the America's cup next summer, and that President McKinley would write concurrently to the Kaiser and the Prince, inviting them to visit the United States. At the White House it is stated nothing of the sort is in contemplation. The Prince of Wales was a guest at the Executive Mansion during President Buchanan's administration.

CAPT. HAFF SELECTED.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Capt. Hank Haff has been selected as sailing master of the new Boston boat, to be built to defend the America's cup. He sailed the Volunteer in 1887 and the Defender in 1895.

Dan Stuart Goes Through.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Dan A. Stuart, the big Texas sport promoter, who successfully brought off the Fitzsimmons-Corbett fight at Carson City, passed through Chicago tonight en route to Carson City. It is thought he has a prize-fighting project on hand.

TORTURED AND ROBBED.

Aged Man and His Wife Brutally Treated by Gigantic Negro in West Virginia.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

MARIETTA (O.,) Dec. 27.—Abraham Johnson and wife, both over 80 years of age, were bound, tortured and robbed last night at their home near Marietta, on the West Virginia side. Their assailant, a gigantic negro, left his victims bound, after securing all the valuables. Mrs. Johnson is almost totally paralyzed from the shock, and her husband is badly injured.

CHILE AND ARGENTINA.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—"The governments of Chile and Argentina have signed a protocol," says the Buenos Ayres correspondent of the Times, "agreeing to take no aggressive action concerning the disputed territory, Ultima and Peranza, in Patagonia."

MORE PORTO RICANS COMING.

SAN JUAN, (Porto Rico,) Dec. 27.—The steamer Arkadia sailed from Ponce yesterday for New Orleans, having on board 400 Porto Ricans, 65 per cent. of whom were women and children, destined for Hawaii.

WOMAN SMASHED THINGS IN SALOONS.

WHITE RIBBONER LANDS IN JAIL AT WICHITA, KAN.

Mrs. Carrie Nation Spoils a Valuable Painting and a Mirror in the Barroom of the Carey Hotel—Threatens to Continue Her Violence.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

WICHITA (Kan.,) Dec. 27.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, president of the Barber county W.C.T.U., entered the Carey Hotel barroom and with a stone smashed a $300 painting of Cleopatra at her bath, and a mirror valued at $100. She is under arrest, but no charge has yet been entered.

She appealed to Gov. Stanley, who is in the city, and he refused to act in any way. She broke mirrors at Kiowa, Kan., in two saloons some months ago. She declares there is no law under which she can be prosecuted, and she threatens to continue her violent opposition to saloons.

A warrant has been sworn out by Mahan Bros., owners of the saloon fixtures, charging Mrs. Nation with malicious destruction of property. She has been taken to the County Jail.

SEEKS JERRY SIMPSON'S AID.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WICHITA, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Nation sent two demands to the sick bed of Gov. Stanley for him, as Governor of the State, to come to the City Jail and take charge of her defense. On Stanley's refusal she telegraphed for Jerry Simpson, her old neighbor, at Medicine Lodge. With a hatchet Mrs. Nation recently smashed all the bar fixtures at Kiowa and Medicine Lodge. She arrived here last night.

EATEN BY BLACKS.

Bones of Prospector P. Killane of Ebeagoolah Found After He Had Been Missed for Months.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

VICTORIA (B. C.,) Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Some four or five months ago it was reported that a man named P. Killane was missing from Ebeagoolah, Queensland. He was left alone prospecting in the direction of Colemand, and not returning within a reasoable time, the police searched for him, but without success. It was thought possible that he had made for some other district. The matter was forgotetn, but a few weeks ago a party came upon the remains of a man. They discovered a saddle and a rifle, which were identified as having belonged to Killane. From the disposition of the remains, which were scattered, it is believed the unofrtunate man was killed and eaten by blacks.

So far no clothing has been found, and the only remains are the principal bones of the body, scattered here and there. There are signs that Killane's horse was tied to a tree for a couple of days, and was then probably taken away by blacks, as no bridle was discovered.

Whether the man had discovered gold or not is not known, but he had evidently intended to camp, as bark had been cut. Marks show it had been stripped by blacks, so the inference is that he employed blacks, being apparently satisfied that they could be trusted, and after being lulled into false security, he was treacherously murdered.

MOVEMENTS OF SHIPPING.

Coast Vessels on the Way.

FOR SAN PEDRO.

	From—	Sailed
Sc. Excelsior	Blakeley	Dec. 12
Sc. Wawerna	Tacoma	Nov. 25
Sc. R. W. Bartlett	Caspar	Dec. 3
Sc. Alice	Whatcom	Dec. 5
Sc. Occidental	Eureka	Dec. 11
Str. Coronado	Gray's Harbor	Dec. 19

FOR SAN DIEGO.

Mstn. Northwest	New Whatcom	Nov. 28

FOR PORT LOS ANGELES.

Str. San Mateo	Nanaimo	Dec. 22

Arrivals and Departures.

TACOMA—Arrived: Dec. 26, bark Tidal Wave, from San Pedro.

SAN DIEGO—Arrived: Dec. 26, steamer Homer, from Eureka, and sailed for Trinidad.

POISONING IN BEER DISCUSSED BY CHEMISTS.

SENSATIONAL STATEMENT IN CHICAGO CONVENTION.

Dr. Gudeman Charges Brewers With Willfully Using Arsenical Antiseptic to Prevent Over-fermenting—Sure Test of Oleomargarine.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The possibility of arsenical poisoning in beer was the topic of popular interest at the opening session of the convention of the American Chemical Society today. The 100 chemists from all parts of the country turned from discourses on atoms and elements and joined in the argument growing out of the recent wholesale poisoning in England.

Dr. Edward Gudeman charged the brewers with willfully introducing into beer arsenical antiseptic to prevent the fermenting of the beverage from progressing too far, and his assertion was the sensation of the session.

Several other chemists spoke upon the question, urging that all beer and other liquors brewed should be thoroughly analyzed to protect the consumers from danger of poisoning.

A. Chehale, secretary of the society, read a paper by Charles A. Parsons of New Hampshire College, Durham, N. C., in which a recipe was given for distinguishing oleomargarine from butter. The sample, the writer said, should be placed in boiling milk and cooled, being stirred through the process. If the fat collects into a ball the sample is oleomargarine; if not it is butter.

In the afternoon the members of the society visited local points of interest, while in the evening the delegates dined at the Auditorium and President McMurtrie delivered an address upon "Conditions, Prospects and Future Educational Requirements of the Chemical Industries."

VENTURA COUNTY.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.

VENTURA, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] Fred Behrle, a nine-year-old boy, was accidentally shot in the hand, breast and cheek yesterday afternoon. Behrle, accompanied by Andie Leach, John Foordyce and Roy Cameron, were returning home from a duck-hunting trip to the Santa Clara River. Leach was handling a shotgun, which was discharged. Behrle was standing about twelve feet away and received the full charge. One of his hands was badly shattered.

SAVINGS BANK.

The Bank of Ventura has announced that it will institute the Ventura Savings Bank. This savings bank will be a solid institution and will open for business on Wednesday, January 2. The Bank of Ventura commences this morning to refit the present room. A section of this room will be utilized by the savings bank. The installation of this bank will be a great help to the people of this city and county.

NORWALK RUNAWAYS.

Harvey Teal, aged 15, and Carl Branscomb, aged 17, runaway boys from Norwalk were arrested in this city yesterday afternoon. They ran away from home about a week ago. They started out with a buggy, horse and dog. They lost their dog and traded their white horse for a black horse. Mr. Teal, father of young Teal was on their trail. He returned home with the boys last night.

OBITUARY.

Thomas Sulser.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Thomas Sulser, father of Congressman Sulzer of New York, died today at his home in Elizabeth, N. J. He was 68 years of age.

Lord William George Armstrong.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Lord William George Armstrong, inventor of the Armstrong gun and a writer upon electrical and scientific topics, died this morning at his home at Cragside.

Edward M. Wimpers.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Edward Morrison Wimpers, vice-president of the Royal College of Painters in Water Colors, is dead.

Give the Boy
A New Year's Suit

Let him start the new year and the new school term with a suit and overcoat that he won't be ashamed of.

A boy can justly be proud of the handsome styles we're selling, and the prices are convenient for all.

Sailor Suits, newest designs...$3.50 to $12.50
School Suits, ages 8 to 16.....$2.50 to $7.50
Dress Suits, ages 3 to 16.....$5.00 to $12.50
Russian Blouse Suits.....$5.00 to $12.50
Middy Suits, nobby, new.....$3.65

London Clothing Co.

119 to 125 N. Spring. HARRIS & FRANK, Props.

Yale and Olive Bicycles.

E. H. Crippen Cycle and Supply House, 439 and 441 South Main Street, Los Angeles, State Representatives.

Our salesmen now on the road with 1901 Models.
Write for agency if your city has no representative.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

WEDNESDAY, December 26, 1900.

Cornelius E Harnett to James S Reed, lot 7, block L, Boyle Heights, $10.

Frederick William Matthiessen, Jr., and Lucy Orne Matthiessen to Frederick W Matthiessen, Sr., part Rancho El Cometa, $10.

Hiram P Epperson to William J Hood, part lot 3 and lot 4, block 78, Clearwater, $50.

Charles E Graham and Arthur W Judy to Alfred Jacobs, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 30, Whittier, $540.

Laura F Drew and George W Drew to Isabel O Tower, portion of replat of blocks 1 and 2, J F Nelson's subdivision, $100.

Marcellus Manley and Electa M Manley to Miner O Wagner, undivided one-half interest in part lots 6 and 7, block 85, Santa Anita tract, $900.

Ray N Bosler to Frederick B Brown, agreement to convey lot 11, Layton's subdivision, $200.

George H Boutelle and Ella M Boutelle to George B Grant, lot 18, Miller & Carter subdivision, $1750.

City of Los Angeles to California Electrical Manufacturing Company, lots 1, 2, 3 and 21, block B, of subdivision of city lands, $300.

George H Peck, Jr., and Olive M Peck to Hamilton Michelsen, lot 19, Peck's subdivision, $175.

George McBride and Elizabeth McBride to Thomas H Stafford, lot 21, block C, Santee tract, $75.

Frank Madison and Ada Madison to J W Hinton, lots 10, 11 and 12, block 12, Wolfskill Orchard tract, $15.

Elisa Jane Olmsted to Silas C Olmsted, lot 16, block B, Urmy Homestead tract; lot 7, block 34, Electric Railway Homestead Association; also nineteen acres in Carpenter tract, Rancho La Cienega, $1.

Brigida Zobelin and George Zobelin to Edward Zobelin, lots 2 and 3, block 1, Zobelin's Main-street tract, $5.

F W Braun and L N Brunswig to F W Braun & Co., lot at northwest corner Republic and Main streets.

W C Ormiston and Sara Ormiston to Cyclone Water Company, in Rancho San Jose and addition to San Jose, forty chains north of center of section 2, 1 S 9; thence north 39 deg 30 min, fifteen chains, etc., $5000.

State to C S Preble and Francis Preble, certificate of redemption lots 3 and 9, block 88, Rosecrans.

State to C S Preble and Mrs E G Preble, certificate of redemption lots 11 and 12, block K, Rosecrans.

Catherine A Lindenfeld, John Hofer as executor of estate of Mary Aisinger, deceased, and Maggie Hughes, by S W Lewis, commissioner, to Hattie M Lindenfeld and Carolyn F Lindenfeld, lots F, G, H and J, Yorba & Paige tract, $1201.71.

Estate of Andrew J Martin, deceased, decree distributing to Genevieve Martin and Eleanor Martin, property not in Los Angeles county; also all property to which Andrew D Martin succeeded as heir of his father, Edward Martin, and by virtue of will of Annie Donahue, and from estate of John G Downey, deceased, etc.

George Blum and Magdelena Blum to United States army, part section 5, 4 N 17, $1.

Frederick K Adams and Lucy G Adams to Charles F Gifford, lot 5, Hicklin's subdivision, $1450.

Henry Kamp to Thomas Earley, part of Grogan tract, $1.

Josiah Russell to Thomas Earley, part Grogan tract, $1.

John James Duffy to N W Tilton, lots 19 and 20, block 62, Harbor View subdivision, $250.

Fannie O Holley and John B Holley to David S Bryant, lots 2306, 2307, 2313, 2314, 2315, Chicago Park tract, $1.

James R Riggins and Sallie V Riggins to Joseph Biederbach and C Biederbach, lot 23, block A, Riggins Bros' subdivision, $1.

John Peters to Harry Harrington, lot 24, block 8, Howes tract, $1.

Mary L Ferrier to W E Pardee, undivided one-half interest in Mossback oil placer claim, $1.

W E Pardee and Kate G Pardee to Enterprise Crude Oil Co, Mossback oil claim, $10.

Title Insurance and Trust Company to Los Angeles Building Company, reconveyance of trust property.

Mary H Jorden and C H Jorden to H E Bassett, lot 2, Wallace Bros' subdivision, $10.

Rosedale Cemetery Association to Mrs Martha A White, part lot 121, section M, Rosedale Cemetery, $175.

Same to same, agreement to care for same, $75.

C F Ogsbury to Rosedale Cemetery Association, part lot 23, section O, Rosedale Cemetery, $1.

H E Bassett and Esther A Bassett to M S Tyler, lot 53, Orange Heights, $10.

Angeline Rush to Mary E Haley, part lots 13 and 14, block J, Mott tract, $1.

Susan M Ponder and John F Ponder to William G Bradshaw, lot 14, block 12, Park tract, $10.

Title Guarantee and Trust Company to Joseph Pack, reconveyance of trust property.

M P Phipps to Almira A Folger, lot 1, block K, Menlo Park, $10.

Frank M Davis and Augusta Davis to Harry F Wheeler, lot 1, Vineland of Azusa, $250.

Total, $14,291.71.

SIEGEL'S MONEY SAVERS

My $3.00 Hat

Whenever you see a $3.00 hat that suits you, make up your mind that just as good a hat can be had at this store for $3.00—not only in style and appearance, but in quality, durability and all the rest.

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For New Years

You'll need a full dress shirt and new gloves. I'm selling the newest and nobbiest style the world affords, at the lowest prices in Los Angeles.

Siegel
THE HATTER
UNDER NADEAU HOTEL

CURRIER & BUNKER ASSIGN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Currier & Bunker, who did business as stock brokers at No. 21 Park Row, made an assignment today for the benefit of creditors to William H. Bonynge. The senior member of the firm, Israel I. Currier, was a member of the Consolidated Exchange. No statement has been made of the assets or liabilities.

Aged Printer Found Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—John Lunn, an aged painter living at the Pennsylvania Hotel, was found dead in his room today. There was a long gash in his scalp and an ugly bruise under one eye. The body when found by the proprietor of the hotel was lying on the floor, only partially clothed. It is thought that death was caused by a fall, though there may have been foul play.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Charles S. Dunning died in this city today. He was City Engineer of Prescott, Ariz., when sickness compelled him to resign.

THE WEATHER.

COMPARATIVE TEMPERATURES.*

	Max.	Min.	Mean.		Max.	Min.	Mean.
Boston	42	22	32	New York	38	26	31
Washington	44	24	34	Buffalo	28	20	24
Pittsburgh	38	26	32	Cincinnati	34	24	29
Chicago	26	20	23	St. Paul	28	24	26
St. Louis	36	28	32	Kansas City	36	28	32
Los Angeles	70	42	56	Jacksonville	68	44	56

[*The maximum is for December 26; the minimum for December 27. The mean is the average temperature for the two days.]

Yesterday's Report and Forecast.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—[Reported by George E. Franklin, Local Forecast Official.] At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 29.98; at 5 p.m., 30.01. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 47 deg. and 61 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 94 per cent; 5 p.m., 64 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., northeast, velocity 7 miles; 5 p.m., northwest, velocity 4 miles. Maximum temperature, 66 deg.; minimum, 42 deg. Barometer reduced to sea level.

Weather Conditions.—There has been a marked rise in pressure north of the fortieth parallel. An area of very high barometer, accompanied by cold weather, extends from the Coast to the Missouri River. The pressure is low in Southern California, with rapidly increasing gradients northward, conditions favorable for a norther. The temperature has fallen generally west of the Missouri River.

Forecasts.—Local forecast for Los Angeles and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday; cool enough tonight for frost in low grounds; northerly winds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—Weather conditions and general forecast. San Francisco data: Maximum temperature, 61 deg.; minimum, 42 deg.; mean, 52 deg.

An area of high pressure overlies the western portion of the country. During the past twenty-four hours the pressure has risen more than three-tenths of an inch over Nevada, Utah and Idaho. The temperature has risen over Central and Northern California, and has fallen elsewhere on the Pacific Slope. No rain has fallen west of the Rocky Mountains. The following minimum temperatures are reported: Sacramento, 30 miles an hour, from the north; Independence, 30 from the north, and Yuma, 34 from the north. Conditions are favorable for heavy frosts Friday morning over the greater part of the Pacific Coast.

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours, ending at midnight, December 28:

For Northern California: Fair Friday; light northerly winds; light to heavy frosts Friday morning.

Southern California: Fair Friday; light northerly winds; frost in exposed places Friday morning.

Arizona: Fair Friday, with frosts in central and southern portions.

San Francisco and vicinity: Fair Friday; light northerly winds.

Sacramento and vicinity: Fair Friday; heavy frost in the morning; light northerly winds.

RECORD OF OBSERVATIONS, 5 P.M.

Stations—	Max. Temp.	State of weather.
Baker City	36	Clear
Astoria	46	Clear
Carson City	38	Clear
Eureka	54	Clear
Fresno	46	Cloudy
Flagstaff	32	Part cloudy
Pocatello	12	Clear
Independence	56	Clear
Los Angeles	68	Clear
Phoenix	64	Clear
Portland	44	Part cloudy
Red Bluff	60	Clear
Roseburg	40	Cloudy
Sacramento	56	Clear
Salt Lake City	38	Clear
San Francisco	62	Clear
San Luis Obispo	62	Clear
San Diego	66	Clear
Seattle	44	Clear
Spokane	32	Cloudy
Neah Bay	44	Part cloudy
Walla Walla	36	Cloudy
Wheatsecca	32	Clear
Yuma	66	Clear

The Times' Weather Record.—Observations made at 1 p.m. and midnight, daily:

December 27—	1 p.m.	Midnight.
Barometer	29.76	29.80
Thermometer	65	47
Humidity	47	52
Weather	Clear	Clear
Maximum temperature, past 24 hours		68
Minimum temperature, past 24 hours		47
Rainfall for season, inches		6.67

Tide Table.—For San Pedro:

	High.	Low.
Friday, Dec. 28	2:05 a.m.	8:34 a.m.
	2:28 p.m.	5:14 p.m.
Saturday, " 29	3:30 a.m.	10:02 a.m.
	4:06 p.m.	9:20 p.m.

Liners.

PARTICULAR NOTICE—

THE TIMES WILL NOT PUBLISH questionable massage, clairvoyant or other objectionable medical and personal advertisements at any price. Frauds and fakes must go elsewhere for publicity.

SPECIAL NOTICES—

ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE IN the strongest association in the United States. THE FIDELITY MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION of San Francisco, Cal., pays from $5 to $25 per week for accident, $1000 to $5000 if accidentally killed; $100 per week for sickness, $100 for funeral expenses, $1000 to $5000 if permanently disabled. It has cash deposited with the State of California together with an ample reserve fund. Its policies cost from $1.50 to $2.25 per month. Prompt settlement of its contracts. For particulars call or write to ERNEST W. SCHMIDT, general agent, 330 S. Main st., Los Angeles, Cal.

SPECIAL ATTENTION IS CALLED TO THE advertising value of the coming Midwinter Number of The Times. It will be mailed in large numbers to eastern people. The larger part of the edition, which it is hoped will reach 100,000 copies, will be sent to points east of the Rocky Mountains, where the following property for sale or exchange, or opportunities for development for which they desire capital, will find readers. The best means of placing their propositions before the public than through this medium. Classified advertisements for this edition will be received at the rate of 5c per word.

AN IMMENSE SENSATION WAS CREATED on Spring st. by the attracting hundreds of people to DEAN'S DRUG STORE, corner of Second st. The occasion was the exhibition of a beautiful little girl, one-half of whose face was covered with freckles, by M. Ella Harris of 756 S. Broadway, the noted dermatologist, for freckles. So perfect was the work of the artist, that not a blemish was to be seen on the part treated, while the other half was covered with hundreds of freckles. The way to be seen at Dean's during the remainder of the week.

VIOLINS FOR SALE—ONE "IMITATION Stoga" for beginner; one fine concert violin, built to order by San Francisco's best maker; one genuine Maggus old Italian violin, in perfect condition. Apply 36 S. LOS ROBLES AVE., Pasadena.

L. A STEAM CARPET CLEANING CO. WILL clean and lay carpets, 4c yard; window washing, house cleaning, furniture polished; we guarantee work; refitting specialty. 229 E. Second. Main 74. R. F. Bennett, Prop.

SCHLATTER'S DIVINE HEALING EVERY Sunday, 3 and 8 p.m., Scholia Hall, 119 S. Spring. Admission free. Healing art divine tonight, hours 2 to 8. RAMONA, Spring and Third.

GREAT EASTERN STEAM CARPET CLEANING WORKS, cor. 7th and Grand. Tel. white 5151. Carpets cleaned and laid 4c yard.

LACE CURTAINS LAUNDERED BY HAND. No pair, MRS. GRACE HEATH, 212 S. Broadway. Tel. 421 brown. Goods called for.

WINDOW SHADES—ELKELES MAKES them. Factory, 227 W. 6TH. 'Phone James 2451.

HAVE YOUR PAINTING AND PAPERING done by responsible parties. Walter, 427 Spring.

JORDAN'S PIONEER CARPET-CLEANING Works 227 S. Broadway. Tel. Main 231.

REPAIRS MADE FOR ANY STOVE OR range. 429 N. MAIN. Tel. James 1621.

G. P. DREW, REAL ESTATE, LOANS AND insurance. 434 DOUGLAS BLDG.

WANTED—Help. Male.

WANTED—AN EXPERT MECHANIC, FAMiliar with steam engines and surface condensers; must be between 30 and 45 years of age, and able to furnish best of references; none others need apply. A. G. ENEAS, Holenbeck Hotel. 28

WANTED—A POPULAR MAN, EMPLOYED amongst fruit packers, iron workers, railroad shops and other industries; can make $70 a month without interfering with his business or occupation. Address E. box 4, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—PRESS FEEDER. 317½ W. FIRST ST. 29

WANTED—A BOY, 18 TO 14 YEARS OLD, writing good hand, in an office, with chance for advancement. Address J, box 63, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—GENERAL STORE BOOK-KEEPer, middle-aged single man preferred, for Santa Paula. Apply room 215, COPP BLDG.

WANTED—YOUNG MAN TO LEARN NEWSpaper illustrating during spare hours. Address A, box 98, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—IMMEDIATELY, BOY TO MAKE himself useful about the office and work rooms. J. E. CO., 202 N. Main st.

WANTED—YOUNG MAN TO TRAVEL WITH one; must have $10 cash. Address J, box 91, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—YOUNG MAN TO ASSIST IN printing; fine opportunity to learn business. MARCEAU, 227 S. Spring.

WANTED—ONE STRICTLY SOBER WASHman; must have A1 references. Address J, box 109, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—BOY WITH BICYCLE TO LEARN drug business. Apply NATIONAL PHARMACY, 1091 S. Grand.

WANTED—MARRIED MAN FOR STOCK ranch near city; $30 and house free. 215 COPP BLDG.

WANTED—CARRIER FOR HORSE ROUTE. Apply TIMES OFFICE, circulation department.

WANTED — A FIRST-CLASS SOLICITOR. Apply HOME STUDY CIRCLE DEPT., Times office.

WANTED — GOOD ALL-AROUND TAILOR; steady work; good wages. 219½ W. FIRST. 30

WANTED — FIRST-CLASS BARBER FOR Prescott; $20 a week. JOS. JAEGER.

WANTED—STRONG, ACTIVE, HONEST BOY. GRAND SOUTHERN, 326 S. Main st.

WANTED—MEN'S SOLES 35c; LADIES', 30c; good leather. 127 W. FOURTH ST.

WANTED—A MEDICAL LECTURER. Address J, box 98, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—GOOD COAT-MAKER AT 1126 W. 16TH ST.

WANTED—Help. Female.

WANTED — HOUSEGIRL FOR ELDERLY couple, $25; many other excellent places, city and country, good wages; extra waitresses, Pasadena, New Year's, $2 day; 3 family laundresses, $25 each; cook small place, closed Sunday, $6 week; housegirl, desirable Arizona place, $20, fare; colored housegirl, city, $25; 2 waitresses, nice orders, city and Pasadena; housegirl, no laundry, $30; 6 second girls, MISS DAY, 121½ S. Broadway.

WANTED—GOOD, REFINED, MOTHERLY woman, with nice home, in nice neighborhood, no children of her own, to take two young girls; give mother's care; charges must be reasonable. Address MRS. G. MILLS, Ventura, Box 218.

WANTED — SHORT-ORDER COOKS, $10; ranch cooks, $30; second girls, $25; waitresses, Santa Ana, city, $20; restaurant, $7; housegirls, $25; girls to assist, $15; dishwashers, $6; chambermaids; many others. REID & CO., room 158, Wilson Block.

WANTED—3 COOKS, $35, PRIVATE FAMilies; 7 others, $30 city; general housework, $25, $20; second girl, $25; day's work today and Saturday. MRS. SCOTT and MRS. HAWLEY, 254 Broadway.

WANTED—A FIRST-CLASS GIRL FOR GENeral housework; no washing; must be good cook; German or Swede preferred; 3 in family. Apply at once, 915 W. 23D ST.

WANTED—Help. Female.

WANTED—YOUNG WOMAN OF JUDGMENT and intelligence to study and acquire a legitimate occupation as assistant to medical practitioner. 631 S. HILL ST.

WANTED — CLERKS, STENOGRAPHERS and others seeking employment, Call today at room 25, 206½ S. BROADWAY. Good positions. No registration fee.

WANTED — STENOGRAPHER OF VARIED experience, rapid and accurate; salary dependent on ability and energy. Address K, box 4, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED — A RELIABLE GIRL FOR UPstairs work, well used to the care of children. Apply, as soon as possible in the morning, at 731 S. GRAND AVE.

WANTED—SELL YOUR OLD JEWELRY and silverware at mint prices to WM. T. SMITH & CO., the gold refiners and assayers, 114 N. Main st.

WANTED—A GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSEwork in family of 3; must be A1 cook; no washing; wages $25. Address K, box 7, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—SKIRT MAKER; HOUSEKEEPer; clerks; waitresses; office work; bookkeeper; nurse. EDWARD NITTINGER, 226 S. Spring.

WANTED — A GIRL TO DO GENERAL housework and cooking; family of two; reference wanted. Apply 735 S. HOPE ST. morning.

WANTED — CHAMBERMAID FOR ROOMing-house; $6 a week and board and room free. Room 215, COPP BLDG.

WANTED—LADY, INEXPERIENCED, FOR office work; wages after two weeks. K, box 5, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—COOK, $7; GIRLS FOR GENERAL housework for nice places. 203½ S. BROADWAY, room 25.

WANTED—GOOD, STRONG WOMAN OR girl to do general housework. Apply 722 W. SEVENTH.

WANTED—HIGH SCHOOL GIRL TO WORK for board. Apply opposite school, 500 N. HILL ST.

WANTED — A GIRL TO DO HOUSEWORK; small family. Apply 1909 BONSALLO. T. blue 4651.

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WANTED—A GIRL TO WORK FROM 8 P.M. to 7 p.m. for her board. Apply 207 W. NINTH ST., city.

WANTED—A GOOD, WILLING GIRL FOR general housework for a family of 3. 425 N. HILL ST.

WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD PAID FOR by work. Address STUDENT, Occidental College.

WANTED — MILLINERY SALESLADY AT the CHICAGO MILLINERY STORE. 311 S. Spring.

WANTED — A YOUNG GIRL FOR LIGHT housework. 129 S. CLARENCE ST. Tel. macy 256.

WANTED — EXPERIENCED CHOCOLATE and bon bon dipper. 211 N. SPRING ST.

WANTED—A FIRST-CLASS COOK AT ONCE. BROCKTON CAFE, Long Beach, Cal.

WANTED—GIRL TO DO GENERAL HOUSEwork. Apply 716 W. Second st.

WANTED—GIRL, GENERAL HOUSEWORK; no home nights. 821 W. 17TH.

WANTED — IMMEDIATELY, AT 1517 S. GRAND, girl for housework.

WANTED—DISHWASHER AT 215 TEMPLE ST. Restaurant.

WANTED—WOMEN BY THE DAY. 740 COTTAGE PLACE.

WANTED—Help. Male and Female.

WANTED — M'KINLEY REACHES THE White House, how? This satin-finished aluminum picture, size 10x12, sent on dime by mail. WHITE HOUSE PUZZLE CO., 152 Washington st., Boston, Mass. Agents wanted.

WANTED—A GOOD TOOLIE, WITH WIFE who will run boarding-house for men, at Mr. Kittrick. PACIFIC CRUDE OIL CO., 323 Laughlin Bldg.

WANTED—Situations, Male.

WANTED—ELDERLY MAN, BEFORE IN A hospital, wishes position as nurse to an invalid and housework; has experience in treatment and mitigation of different bodily troubles. Address J, box 76, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED — FIRST-CLASS OFFICE MAN wants position in Southern California; office and outside work; Los Angeles and San Francisco references. H. L. C., 705 CLAYTON ST., San Francisco.

WANTED—POSITION AS STENOGRAPHER, book-keeper or office man; 6 years' experience on Atlantic and Pacific coast. Address BUSINESS, J, box 85, Times office.

WANTED—EXPERIENCED BOOK-KEEPER wants any kind of clerical work, good recommendations. Address J, box 88, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—POSITION BY JAPANESE BOY as a school boy or housework. Address R. HACKIYA, 545 Olive st.

WANTED—SITUATION BY A GOOD CHInese cook. Apply 101 country. MARCHESSAULT ST.

WANTED—BY RELIABLE JAPANESE, SITuation as porter or housework. Address YUTU, 695 W. Sixth st.

WANTED—Situations, Female.

WANTED—MIDDLE-AGED LADY WISHES to assist in housework; small wages; good home. No. 415 W. Seventh. MRS. B. F. 29

WANTED—Situations, Male and Female.

WANTED — YOUNG EASTERN COUPLE with child want situation on ranch; both willing to work. Address H, box 81, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—To Purchase.

WANTED—DO YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR ranch, orange grove or country home? There will be no better means of reaching possible purchasers in the East than through a classified advertisement in the Midwinter Number of The Times, which will be issued Jan. 1, 1901. Rate, 3c per word.

WANTED—IMMEDIATELY, THE BEST LOT on Seventh, Eighth or Ninth-st. car lines, between Figueroa and Lake sts., that $800 to $1000 cash will buy; answer explicitly. Address J, box 68, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—TO BUY FURNITURE IN ANY quantity; if you are going to sell, we will certainly pay you one-third more than any one else. COLYEAR, 322-324 S. Main st. 'Phone red 1151.

WANTED—WISH TO PURCHASE AN equity in modern residence property on S. Broadway or S. Hill st., between Sixth and 11th sts. Address J, box 21, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—WE HAVE A CASH CUSTOMER for small alfalfa ranch; room quick. If you want to buy, sell or exchange, see J. FRANK BOWEN CO., suite 440, Douglas Block.

WANTED — TO PURCHASE A ROOMING-house; will pay cash if price and location suit. J. C. FLOYD, room 204, Copp Bldg., 218 S. Broadway.

WANTED—TO PURCHASE ALL KINDS OF beans. Name the amount you have and your price, and send sample to P. O. BOX 177, Los Angeles.

WANTED — THE HIGHEST PRICE PAID for all kinds store fixtures and all kinds tools. CLIFFORD'S, 255 S. Los Angeles st.

WANTED — HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR furniture, carpets and miscellaneous goods. MATTHEWS, 434 S. Main. 'Phone green 1251.

WANTED—A LOT ON FIFTH OR SEVENTH for cash. What have you? HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

WANTED—Houses.

WANTED — 18 YOUR HOME FOR SALE? Then advertise it in the Midwinter Number of The Times, where it will be seen by thousands of people in the East, who are looking toward Southern California as their future home, and who grasp eagerly for every bit of information, such as that number will contain; a rate of only 3 cents a word has been made for this class of advertising for the forthcoming Midwinter issue of The Times.

WANTED—$3000 HOUSE; WILL EXCHANGE furniture; business has cleared $10 to $15 daily for years; must retire; want nice home. Call on CALIFORNIA BUSINESS EXCHANGE, 432 Stimson Block, for information.

WANTED—Work by the Day.

WANTED — JAPANESE EMPLOYMENT Agency. Carefully selected help of all kinds promptly furnished; labor furnished by day or hour. 642 S. SPRING ST. Tel. brown 1672.

WANTED—JAPANESE, HOUSE-CLEANING, any work. 605 W. SIXTH. Tel. green 601.

WANTED—Miscellaneous.

WANTED—EVERYBODY TO KNOW THAT Bekins Van and Storage Co. ship household goods in any quantity at nearly ½ rates to and from the East and North, in their own private car, receiving better care than if shipped another way. For further particulars see or address BEKINS VAN AND STORAGE CO., 344 S. Broadway. Tel. M. 15.

WANTED—Agents and Solicitors.

WANTED — CALIFORNIAN WINES; A large London buyer of these wines (Ports, clarets and Burgundies,) has inquiries for California brandy, and is open to buy it, and other California wines, (and to receive samples) of the best quality. Highest bankers' references can be given and will be required. Address "VINO," care Street's Agency, 30 Cornhill, London, Eng.

WANTED — WINDSOR RUBBER COLLARS, cuffs, shirt fronts, etc.; wholesale, retail; liberal terms to agents. 422 S. BROADWAY.

WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD PAID FOR by work. Address STUDENT, Occidental College. 'Phone Alta 311.

WANTED — BOOK AGENTS FOR FAMILY medical work. Address K, box 5, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—Partners.

WANTED — ACTIVE PARTNER FOR ONEthird interest in established shed poultry business; raising, buying and selling poultry for stock and market purposes; need help and a little money to increase the business. Address J, box 96, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—WHENEVER YOU HAVE ANYthing to offer in the way of an active partnership and you wish to get the right man who has both ability and cash, see the manager BUSINESS CHANCE DEPARTMENT, 215 Copp Bldg.

WANTED—ENERGETIC BUSINESS WOMAN with $500 to invest; please investigate proposition offered by practical woman (medical.) 651 S. HILL ST.

WANTED — PARTNER IN GOOD, ESTABlished business; $500 required. Address K, box 3, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—Rooms with Board.

WANTED — BY YOUNG LADY, SOUTH room with board; use must have east veranda and not business part; permanent. Address J, box 87, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—A LARGE ROOM WITH BOARD for a lady in a nice family, within 5 minutes' walk of Baldwin and Griffin ave. Address J, box 70, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED—To Rent.

WANTED — BARN, CLOSE IN, FOR TEN horses and wagons. Address J, box 54, 29

FOR SALE—Houses.

FOR SALE—$1100; NEAT 5-ROOM COTTAGE on the installment plan; Hunter st.

For Sale—Neat colonial cottage on West Eighth; $1500; easy terms.

For Sale—Income property on Figueroa; new, 12 rooms; $6500.

For Sale—Two beautiful lots on Figueroa near 16th; bargain.

For Sale—$3500; 9 rooms; house partly furnished; W. 23d st.

For Sale—$10,000; one of the finest homes in Los Angeles near Westlake, on cars; large lot, everything first-class.

F. H. KEITH & CO., 206½ S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—IS YOUR HOME FOR SALE? Then advertise it in the Midwinter Number of The Times, where it will be seen by thousands of people in the East, who are looking toward Southern California as their future home, and who grasp eagerly for every bit of information, such as this number will contain; a rate of only 3 cents a word has been made for this class of advertising for the forthcoming Midwinter issue of The Times.

FOR SALE—BY OWNER; NEW MODERN well built, conveniently arranged and elegantly hand-decorated cottage of six large rooms and reception hall; fine porcelain bath, marble washstand, combination fixtures, cove ceilings, 2 handsome mantels, solar heater, large front and back porch, cement walks, large basement with stationary washtub, well-kept lawn and flowers, large barn to alley; good reasons for selling. 1135 WALL ST.

FOR SALE — 3 ELEGANT, NEW HOUSES, finished in Ohio red oak, white cedar and yellow pine; beautifully decorated; porcelain baths, cement basements, beautiful lawns and shrubbery, together with all modern conveniences, in the finest location in the southwest; low prices; easy terms; must be sold at once. W. B. SCARBOROUGH, 110 S. Broadway, daily.

FOR SALE — $2000; TWO NEW 5-ROOM houses, 41st, one block from Traction or University cars; large lots; street work done; fenced; have lawns; handsomely decorated; complete plumbing; on easy terms, low interest; owner at houses, 2 to 4 afternoons. BREARLY, 105 S. Broadway. 30

FOR SALE—THE TWO 7-ROOM, NEW AND modern cottages at the southeast corner of Santa Fe and Atlantic, upon which we can secure you a loan of $2000; see them and make us an offer for our equity. HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE — 6 ROOMS AND 1 ACRE OF ground at 504 Judson st., corner; all in fruit, flowers, etc.; if you wish a real nice home call and see this at a bargain; reasonable figure. See HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—DO YOU WANT A NICE 6-room, modern cottage, 2 blocks above Westlake Park? Fine neighborhood; near Seventh st. and Coronado; bargain if sold this week. FRANK BOWEN CO., suite 440, Douglas Block.

FOR SALE—THE HANDSOME COTTAGE AT 1013 W. 11th, near Burlington; it is really very fine; 6 rooms, new and modern; if you would like something choice, see this and make us an offer. HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—NEW HOUSES, 1030 AND 1040 Westlake; 9 rooms each, fine location; 1030 W. Adams, 9 rooms, stone front, big lot; 1019 W. 21st, 6-room cottage, lawn, flowers. TYLER & CO., 113 S. Broadway. 30

FOR SALE—$1400; NEW 5-ROOM COTTAGE, porcelain bath, chicken yards, fine trees, flowers, corner, 3 lots, 1139 Avenue 41, near green cars. T. WIESENDANGER, 139 Douglas Block.

FOR SALE—A FINE 2-STORY, 9-ROOM, MODern house, on 7th st., a great bargain; have a number of bargains in different portions of the city. G. P. DREW, 434 Douglas Bldg.

FOR SALE — OR EXCHANGE; A GOOD 5-room house, large lot, barn, cow; fine, healthy, elevated location; want ranch close to good town. OWNER, 331 N. Anderson st.

FOR SALE—TO SAVE FORECLOSURE; A new, modern, 9-room house, near Westlake Park; a rare opportunity for a purchaser. J. C. OLIVER, 218 S. Broadway. Tel. brown 425.

FOR SALE—NEW, MODERN, 6-ROOM COTtage, close to business, $2,000; 4 rooms, $950, installments; 8 rooms, southwest, $3600; all rare bargains. R. D. LIST, 221 Wilcox Bldg.

FOR SALE—NEW, MODERN, 5-ROOM COTtage, Craftsman and 22d, modern; also new 7-room, 2-story house, 1029 W. 17th st.; easy terms. W. E. M'VAY, 223 S. Spring. 29

FOR SALE—OR RENT; 6-ROOM, ALMOST new cottage, rent $10; sale price $1050; see this bargain, S.W. corner of NEW JERSEY and SARATOGA, Boyle Heights.

FOR SALE—$675; 4-ROOM COTTAGE, FURnished, and lot 60x185; plenty fruit on lot. East side HILL AVE., third house north of Colorado, Pasadena.

FOR SALE—A GREAT MANY NEW MODern houses, ranging from 4 to 12 rooms, in the best locations in city. G. P. DREW, 434 Douglas Bldg.

FOR SALE—5 ROOMS, GOOD LOT, 228 E. 29th, can be had at from $300 to $500 less than its true value. HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—HOUSES; IF YOU WANT TO buy, or sell city or country property, call on G. P. DREW, 434 Douglas Bldg.

FOR SALE — $5000; 9-ROOM HOUSE ON Flower near 16th, modern. FIELDING J. STILSON, 117 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—A BEAUTIFUL 7-ROOM COTtage on W. 11th, $3500. (22) HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—NEW 6-ROOM HOUSE, BATH, closets, fruit trees, etc.; $1900. 1229 BERENDO ST., near 12th.

FOR SALE—HOUSE AND LOT, 635 SOUTH FLOWER ST.; price $4000.

FOR SALE—Business Property.

FOR SALE—OR RENT; A LARGE BRICK building and frame office on Ann st. near San Fernando, together with water power right; 150 feet frontage; this property is well adapted for a machine shop or planing mill works. Address ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., Sovereign and Santa Fe tracks.

FOR SALE—BUSINESS INCOME BARGAIN by owner; principals only. Address J, box 97, TIMES OFFICE.

FOR SALE—A FINE LOT ON BROADWAY at a bargain. G. P. DREW, 434 Douglas Bldg.

FOR SALE—FOR GOOD BUSINESS PROPerties, see HOVIS & MARTIN, 136 S. Broadway.

FOR SALE—Suburban Property.

FOR SALE—SUBURBAN HOMES, ORANGE orchards, alfalfa ranches, houses and lots, hotels and rooming-houses; exchanges of all kinds.

J. C. FLOYD, 218 S. Broadway.

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW—

E. E. ROWE, 16 YEARS' EXPERIENCE, ALL classes of cases taken on contingency. Wills and probate business. Oil and mining laws. 114-116-116 POTOMAC BLOCK. Tel. John 2-51.

ADVICE FREE—NO FEE WITHOUT SUCcess; divorce laws a specialty; damages. J. H. SMITH, 115 Bryson Block.

DIVORCE LAWS A SPECIALTY. ADVICE free. HOLCOMB, Atty., R. 9-10, 211 W. First.

FOR SALE—Country Property.

FOR SALE—

ORANGE GROVE

$45,000

Washington navels and Late Valencias.

Not yet in full bearing.

Easy driving distance of this city;

Surroundings of highest character, such as—

Fine homes and cultured people.

Water in great abundance.

New handsome 12-room modern residence.

Income for last year over $12,000;

Income for year before over $11,000;

Expenses do not exceed $2500.

C. W. CONWAY, Room 311, Bradbury Building.

FOR SALE—SPECIAL BARGAIN; A 20-ACRE place, 6 miles from Riverside, half mile to railroad station; fine, level, deep soil; 10 acres bearing orange trees, 7 years old; crop included; 5 acres 2-year navels; 5 acres in bearing apricots; good water right; nice cottage and stable; also team, harness, wagon, tools, fruit trays, etc.; all for six thousand five hundred ($6500) dollars; worth $10,000. Address or call on FOSTER & SIBLEY, Redlands, Cal. 1

FOR SALE — AT POMONA, 30 ACRES IN full-bearing Washington navel oranges; situated 3 miles northeast of city; fine soil; well located; cement head ditch; this is a fine, productive property; will yield from $5000 to $10,000 annually; price $24,000—$9000 cash, balance in annual payments of $2000 until paid for, with 6 per cent. interest. Call on or address FRANK P. FIREY, Pomona, Cal.

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FOR SALE—11¼-ACRE LEMON ORCHARD at La Mesa; 4-room house and kitchen; stable and other outbuildings; planted 1892; had the best of care; owner interested in other business; no time to attend to it. Address 752 FIFTH, San Diego, Cal. J. T. Kaidel.

FOR SALE—Hotels, Lodging-houses.

FOR SALE—

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The furniture and good-will of one of the best-known and oldest established family hotels in Los Angeles; paying from $3000 to $5000 per year net; applicants being turned away daily.

EXCELLENT REASONS FOR WISHING TO SELL.

Only cash purchaser considered. IT INVOLVES ABOUT $7500.

WRIGHT & CALLENDER, SOLE AGENTS, 223 SOUTH HILL ST. Wright & Callender Building. 30

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WAR GEOGRAPHY OF EUROPE.

XI.—HOW WAR MADE AMERICAN BOUNDARIES.

IT IS the purpose of these lessons to give in outline the changes in the political geography of America during the last 200 years, especially the changes wrought by conquest of arms and by the diplomacy following our notable wars. The lessons in "War Geography" will not involve a study of the map of military movements nor accounts of the campaign and the siege. They will involve rather the territorial changes and the treaty readjustments following the important wars with an indication of the significance in international relations which these changes include. The course is one in historical geography rather than in military history.

Previous courses in Home Study Circle have outlined the progress of European discovery, exploration and settlement in America. The present studies will consider these European nations in America not as rivals in discovery, exploration and colonization, but as competitors in war and diplomacy for political sovereignty on American soil.

The natural starting point for such a study is at the close of the seventeenth century. When William III came to the throne of England (1688) and became involved in the affairs of continental Europe because of his opposition to the ambitions of Louis XIV, there began what has been called another "Hundred Years' War" between England and France. Beginning with King William's war in 1690, there was a protracted struggle between these two nations, with only intervals of interruption, until Wellington, sheathed his sword at Waterloo and Napoleon had gone to St. Helena. In that long period of more than 100 years, while there were varying intervals of truce and breathing spells of peace, the two nations were continuously at war for more than sixty years. There were three distinct causes for the century of struggle:

(a) At the beginning of the period (1690-1713) war came from the efforts of France to upset the balance of power in Europe. Louis XIV was attempting to abolish the Pyrenees by placing a Bourbon on the throne of Spain, thus uniting the crowns of France and Spain under one control.

(b) At the end of the period of 1789-1815) the international strife arose from the French revolutionary influences in the danger to the balance of Europe from the ambition and dominance of Napoleon. Though we had achieved our political independence at this period, it was with the greatest difficulty that our neutrality was maintained for a while, and finally, in spite of our passion for peace, we were forced into conflict with one of the European combatants.

(c) But the great cause of this second "Hundred Years' War," that lasted throughout so much of the eighteenth century, was the rivalry between France and Britain for dominion beyond Europe, especially in America. It is with this international strife for the control of territory in America that our present lesson has to do.

At the close of the seventeenth century France was at the zenith of her power. It was the age of Louis XIV. In a wonderful array of great names produced in a half-century of that exceptional reign none stands higher for distinguished service to the State than the name of Colbert. No Frenchman ever did more for the expansion and glory of France than Colbert. He was the great colonizer of France. Probably no other continental statesman, if we except Prince Henry of Portugal, ever made colonization so distinctly a part of his policy or had plans so sagacious and farsighted. Colbert increased the French navy within twenty years (1660-1680) from thirty to 176 ships; he saved from waste and corruption sixty millions of the revenues of France. Besides urging a policy of peace and production at home, he encouraged and sustained the designs of Frontenac, Marquette, Joliet and La Salle for the upbuilding of New France. It was largely through Colbert's influence and statesmanship that the French by 1690, besides their well-grounded hopes for empire in India and their power in Cayenne and the West Indies, had in North America, Canada, Cape Breton, the fishing banks of Newfoundland, the mouths of the Mississippi and the St. Lawrence and inland Louisiana. France held America by the mouths of its great rivers. With the English colonies making but a fringe upon the coast, it might well have been concluded by the reflective historian of that day that America was to become French.

While this struggle for dominion in the new world from 1690 when France seemed so dominant, to 1763, when she finally retired from the continent of North America, may be looked upon as a continuous and single struggle to be studied as one movement, it will still be necessary to regard the struggle and its outcome somewhat in detail.

First should be noticed the respective claims of the two nations and the foundations upon which these claims rested.

The treaty of St. Germain (1632) had recognized the French as in possession of the St. Lawrence and of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, substantially as described at present on our maps. In 1697 Iberville had settled lower Louisiana. The explorations of the French Jesuits had given claim to the basin of the Mississippi. To connect Canada and the mouth of the St. Lawrence with Louisiana and the mouth of the Mississippi by a chain of forts along the inland lakes and rivers was the French design. By 1700 this had been largely accomplished, and it was supposed to guarantee French possession. As for the English, they were to be hemmed in east of the Alleghanies on the Atlantic Coast.

NORTH AMERICA, 1750.
(Showing claims arising out of exploration and occupancy.)

"On the maps of British America in the early part of the eighteenth century," says Parkman, "one sees the eastern shore from Maine to Georgia garnished with ten or twelve colored patches, very different in shape and size and more or less distinctly defined."

These colonies had indefinite claims westward to the Pacific, "claims to vast interior tracts, founded on ancient grants, but not made good by occupation or vindicated by any exertion of power. The English colonies were strong in numbers, but their numbers could not be brought into action. The French forces were small, but they were vigorously commanded and were always ready at a word. It was union confronting division, energy confronting apathy, military centralization opposed to industrial democracy; and for a time the advantage was all on one side." (Parkman, "Half Century of Conflict," Vol. II, p. 65.)

When the Anglo-Saxon frontier line moved westward according to natural laws of migration and came into contact with the French forts building on the upper Ohio the conflict between these two forces was inevitable. The issue of the conflict was doubtful until Wolfe's victory at Quebec in 1759. This decisive "Seven Years' War" began, as Frederick the Great said, "over a few miserable huts on the upper Ohio, cost humanity a million of men and gave to Britain an empire in America."

This half-century of conflict which Parkman has so brilliantly described, and which we have so far spoken of as a single movement, has generally been described in American history under four distinct intercolonial wars: (1) King William's war, from 1689 to the Peace of Ryswick in 1697; (2) Queen Anne's war, from 1701 to the peace of Utrecht in 1713, or the war of the Spanish Succession; (3) King George's War, from 1744 to the peace of Aix-la-Chapelle in 1748, preceded by the Spanish war begun in 1739; (4) the "French and Indian War," or the "Seven Years' War," from 1756 to 1763, closing with the famous treaty of Paris. The treaties of Ryswick (1697) and Aix-la-Chapelle (1748) settled nothing, and they may therefore be regarded as mere truces in the conflict. The conquests made in the two wars preceding these treaties were restored, the wars brought nothing but losses to both sides and the contending powers were left confronting one another with the great issues between them still unsettled.

But the student should look upon the treaties of Utrecht (1713) and Paris (1763) as important landmarks in the diplomatic history of America. By the treaty of Utrecht France made important concessions to Great Britain in America.

(1.) The British claim was recognized to the territory drained by the rivers flowing into Hudson Bay. This region of indefinite limit had been claimed by the British since the explorations of Hudson in 1610.

(2.) Newfoundland and Acadia (Nova Scotia) "according to its ancient limits," including the fortress of Port Royal (captured by the English in 1690, restored in 1697, recaptured in 1710 and permanently retained) were also conceded by the French. The "ancient limits" of Acadia were never defined. France contended that the concession included not only Nova Scotia, but a narrow strip on the seacoast, while England claimed from it a vast country westward to the English settlements in Maine and northward to the St. Lawrence.

(3.) The treaty of Utrecht declared the "Five Nations," the famous Indian confederacy of New York, to be subject to the dominion of England. This gave rise to stupendous English claims. Did this dominion carry with it dominion over the Indian lands? The English insisted that the allegiance of the five nations carried not only the Indians' own hereditary territories, but also all the regions of Iroquois conquests; that is, all west of the Ottawa River and the Alleghanies to the Mississippi. This, of course, would break through the heart of New France, and it was a claim that could be admitted by France only on the ground that she had no possession in America that she could hope to defend.

Thus it will be seen that the treaty of Utrecht, while it made some important concessions in America, really after all merely postponed the day of final settlement. The limits of Acadia, the boundary line between French Canada and the British colonies, and the boundary between these colonies and the great west, were all left unsettled. The attempt to settle them was sure to rekindle war. The thirty years that followed, called "a generation of chronic, smothered war," was a period of dispute and preparation. First there were disputes over the limits of Acadia. France had been left in undisputed possession of Cape Breton Island, and this she now proceeded to use as the basis of her operations for the recovery of her concessions. In the second place, there was a difference over the northern boundary of New England and the control of the Indian territory in that region. The third and greatest question of all was whether France or Great Britain should hold the valleys of the Mississippi and the great lakes, and with them the control of the continent. "This was the triple problem," says Parkman, "that tormented the northern English colonies for more than a generation, till it found its solution in the Seven Years' War."

In 1739 began the Spanish war—a war that is but little noticed in our books and that has almost passed out of the memory of men. It is remembered now chiefly by the story of Jenkins's ear. It arose over the disputed boundary of Spanish Florida and the claims of the Spaniards to the right of search in the Spanish main. Spain was protecting her legitimate trade monopoly with her colonies by drastic processes, and Jenkins displayed his severed ear in Parliament as proof postive of such Spanish cruelty and aggression as called for vengeance and war. The war led to a war with France. Louisburg, captured by the New Englanders, was restored by the truce of 1748, and the rival nations were facing one another for the final struggle.

The causes of the Seven Years' War, so far as America is concerned, have been indicated by what has already been written. The outcome of the struggle is to be seen by a study of the great treaty of Paris of 1763. This treaty has been properly pronounced the greatest treaty since that at Westphalia (1648) established the balance in universal history, a turning point not only in the history of America, but in the history of the world. Of the war which it closed, Green has said with sincere eloquence that "three of its many victories determined for ages to come the destinies of mankind. Quebec was one of these three victories, and with Wolfe's triumph at Quebec began the history of the United States." We can here but briefly summarize the situation in which this treaty left the territorial possessions of the leading European States in America.

(1.) Spain—She secured the restoration of Havana and Cuba, captured by the English during the war; she ceded Florida to Great Britain, and in compensation for this loss she received from France the island of New Orleans and Louisiana west of the Mississippi.

(2.) France—To France the treaty was one of the most humiliating in her history. She lost her merchant and her military marine, and with her hopes of empire in India she surrendered Canada to England and Louisiana to Spain, and retired from the continent of North America.

(3.) England—The treaty exalted Britain among the nations. She won for the first time her world empire. Besides giving her unrivaled sea power and her empire in India, the war gave the realizations of her most sanguine hopes in America. She received Canada from France and Florida from Spain. Now, without a rival to Britain from the Atlantic to the Mississippi it was apparent that America was to become English. The great outcome of the war for America was that the English colonies were no longer between the upper and nether millstones. They were relieved from fear of the Spanish power on the south and of the French power on the north, and they were ready for expansion westward. "By removing an enemy," says the English historian Green, "whose dread had knit the colonists to the mother country, and by breaking through the line with which France had barred them from the basin of the Mississippi, Pitt had laid the foundation of the great republic of the west."

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Special attention is called to the advertising value of the coming Midwinter Number of The Times, which will be mailed in large numbers to eastern people. The larger part of the edition, which it is hoped will reach 100,000 copies, will be sent to points east of the Rocky Mountains. Any one having property for sale or exchange, or opportunities for development for which they desire eastern capital, can find no better means of placing their propositions before the public than through this medium. Classified advertisements for this edition will be received at the rate of 3 cents per word.

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[OUR DAILY STORY.]

THE HOUSE ON THE MILITARY ROAD.

BY EVALINA RASBURY.

PLUNK! went the end of Sam's fishing pole into the water, where it lay unheeded. The troubled expression of Sam's gingercake-brown face was but an indifferent index to the condition of his mind. For the first time in his life his favorite sport of "ketchin' grinnuls an' mudcats" palled on him. Despairingly his head drooped and his eyes gazed into vacancy, as he sat on the "causeway" bridge that spanned what was by courtesy called a lake, but which was in reality one of Eastern Arkansas' picturesque swamps—semi-tropic in verdant beauty.

Sam was in trouble, and so hot was his blood with indignation that the cool lake water, in which his feet were immersed, failed to afford the accustomed sensation of pleasure. Impatiently he jerked up his bare, brown left foot, and, untying a twine from around his ankle, pulled from the water and surveyed his "ketch" of the afternoon—a string of fish remarkable for quantity rather than quality.

It was no use—the sight brought him no joy. Rising, he threw the fish, string and all, far out into the lake, a mass of floundering, helpless prisoners, doomed to an early death in their native element. Resuming his half-reclining position against the trunk of a tupelo gum, he again took up the thread of his unhappy reflections. Hour after hour passed unheeded by the immovable figure.

A gray squirrel whose home was high up in the hollow of the tree against which he leaned, arrived at the conclusion that he was either dead or asleep, and stealthily resumed her wonted occupation of conveying nuts to the family pantry, from a neighboring pecan tree. Sam's trained ear heard her movements, but his sporting instincts were for the time dead. He could think of nothing but the great trouble that, unprovoked and undeserved, had overtaken him, a trouble which he, true to his nature which had gained for him the sobriquet of "Say-nothin' Sam," in his childhood days, had borne in silent agony.

Across his mental retina flashed the picture of Millie, the day he saw her first—the velvety, black eyes, with their long lashes; sleek, wavy hair, long enough to plait and accommodate bows of pink ribbon; how the shy smile she had flashed at him from beneath her

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stiff white sunbonnet had set his usually sluggish heart to thumping! How vividly he recalled each little word and act. He had slyly squeezed her hand and whispered: "I kinder feels like I'd known you allus, Miss Millie," to which she had feelingly replied: "You doan say so?"

After that it had been p'ain sailing for them, and many happy hours were spent pianning their future on Sam's "lease" on "de Milenterry road, whar a 'stantial log house is gwine up fer sumbody, sho." In the excess of her love, countless times had Millie related to Sam's intense satisfaction, "that his tail goes looks, nuther color," had anything to do with her love for him: "'twus jes' sumpin' misterious like," which opinion seemed to coincide with his own ideas of the momentous affair, and added immensely to the charm.

He had smiled when a nail was driven home in board or plank of the cabin to think how pleased Millie would be with "mantel-shelf and cupboard." Quickly and happily had the time slipped away until the wedding day was but three weeks off, and the little home nest was nearly ready to receive its occupants, when an ominous shadow was projected across the horizon of their happy expectations. Sam's face went ashy pale with anger as he recalled the entrance upon the scene of the Jones woman, and her brazen effrontery. A human derelict, floating on any chance wave, she had drifted into the neighborhood when the public mind was occupied with a protracted meeting, trailing in her wake the reputation of being a "conjur," and so great is the average negro's dread of the mysterious "conjur's" power, that she was received and entertained in their homes, while intensely feared and disliked.

It took her ferret eyes but a short time to discover Sam's and Millie's love drama, and whether it was Sam's splendid physique and reputed good nature and thrift, or that a stray idea of putting a period to the nomad existence entered her head, or the promptings of feminine vanity to become the mistress of the "new home on the Milenterry" is beyond the ken of mortal, but "Babe" Jones, for some reason, known only to herself, made up her mind that marriage with Sah was necessary to her happiness. With Babe the thought must swiftly bear the deed so she had risen in church and announced she's "had a revelation, a message from on high," to the effect that she was to marry two weeks from that day the last man who had built a house on the Military road. The "message" was received in painful silence. Naturally all eyes turned to Sam, who, manlike, was beaming with gratified pride that he was necessary to the happiness of "a sister." His natural timidity was inundated beneath the great swell of vanity that welled up in his breast as he half rose to his feet to respond, without a thought as to what the response was to be, when his eyes, by some subtle attraction, met Millie's horrified gaze.

With a woman's intuition Millie had instantly divined the import of Babe's message, and the hopelessness of the situation appalled and almost paralyzed her. At last the iron entered Sam's soul also, and his response was but a miserable groan.

They knew an effort to thwart a conjurer's wishes would bring consequences disastrous and inevitable. While all doubted the divine origin of the message, no one dared to interfere in behalf of the lovers, for fear of directing the conjurer's undesirable attentions to themselves. Sam and Millie parted in tearful silence, and there the matter stood, and was standing, with just two remaining days of grace to poor Sam.

Sam's stalwart frame shook as with the ague as he thought of the sphinx-like figure that would be waiting for him in church on Sunday. He dimly wondered if she would turn him into a "Jack-o'-lantern" and relegate him to the vicinity pauper graveyards, if he didn't render her implicit obedience.

A slight attack of nausea (he had eaten nothing all day) and a terrific lashing of the waters by the big grinner who was making his last and supreme effort to extricate himself before death somewhat aroused him from the stupor into which he had fallen, and started a new train of thoughts without entirely obliterating the old—loaves and fishes! Loaves and fishes! The good book told of prayer being answered. Why hadn't he thought to pray before now? Kneeling and uncovering his head he began his supplication.

"Dear Lord, dis is 'Say-nothin'-Sam,' but I 'spec you'se' mos' fergot me 'cause I ain't bothered You for a long time; I'se been a tryin' to tend to my own bizness, an' a putty mess I'se made us it. But, dear Lawd, if you doan he'p me, I shore am a goner, dis time. Redeemer, bar in min' de mistry I'se been enjoyin' dese two weeks! All de angels kin tell you I does love Millie, an' I nevah meant to whup her lessen she got so sassy I jes' couldn't stan' her at all. Dey also kno's I is afear'd of dat Babe, an' if you doan take my part, in de mattah, I suttenly will hob to mahy dat lady, as she am mos' powerful sot on it.

"Ole Marster, doan fergit to reserrect I draw dem pegs in de house on de Milenterry to hang Millie's close on, not dat nonation Babe's wid her hants face; howsomeber, I doan wan' her to kno I said dat 'bout her, as 'tainty 'zactly safe. Now, deah Lawd, think uv all dese things, but he'p me immegiately, as I'm on de strain an' You am de las' show. He'p me, an' I'll promise to do mos' annything—I'll jine de church, yes, I'll go to preachin' de gospel if you'll——"

"Sam, Sam Moore," called a familiar voice from the bank above, "what you doin', fittin' 'ligion or gwine crazy? I wants you to run fer de doctor. Dat frisky Jinuary mule done run an' kick dat Babe in de bres' an' mos' kill her, I guess, 'cause she comed lookin' after you, but Babe say if you'll get her a doctor she'll take de spell often us an' we kin mahy. Huhy, Sam!"

For a long minute Sam looked up at the tranquil blue sky, then said: "Millie, git yoah duds ready to mahy me dis very night, an' to move into de house on de Milenterry in de mornin' by sun-up, an' morober, gal, doan you set up no perpendicular perjection to

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NEWSPAPERS OF THE FUTURE.

The Times of December 25 published some extracts from an article in the North American Review for January, by Alfred Harmsworth, editor and proprietor of the London Daily Mail. The subject of Mr. Harmsworth's article is "The Simultaneous Newspapers of the Twentieth Century," and in it he advances some rather novel and radical ideas. His discussion of the subject is interesting, whether one agrees with his conclusions or not.

Mr. Harmsworth expresses the opinion that notwithstanding the marvelous developments of the past, in the business of newspaper making, we are only at the threshold of newspaper development. This view is undoubtedly correct. In no field of human effort, perhaps, has greater progress been made than in the making of newspapers, and it is not to be supposed that this progress will suddenly cease. The leading newspaper makers are men who believe in progress, and who lose no opportunity to deduce practical results from that belief. The progressive newspaper is in a continuous state of evolution. The newspaper of today is hardly more like the newspaper of a hundred years ago than the modern printing press is like the quaint old cheese press used by the esteemed Benjamin Franklin. The story of the evolution of the modern printing press, and of modern appliances generally, for the production of newspapers, is as marvelous as a fairy tale. The form and quality of the finished product—the newspaper—may not have kept pace with the mechanical development, but the process of evolution is still at work, and there is no telling where it will end.

Mr. Harmsworth objects, and certainly not without some reason, to "the hopelessly clumsy shape of the ordinary newspaper." "With the newspapers of the whole civilized world before me," he says, "each week I look in vain for any great and impressional stroke of originality or daring. We still cling to the clumsy and awkward shape in which our newspapers are issued, and the man who has attempted to manipulate one of them on a windy day will best appreciate the force of my remarks. Without new machinery it would be impossible to issue the newspaper of the future, in what is obviously its proper shape, a small, portable, and neatly-indexed publication." The mechanical difficulties in the way of issuing such a newspaper as Mr. Harmsworth evidently has in mind are not so great as he seems to imagine. The modern printing press is a wonderful piece of mechanism, and presses of the latest pattern—such as The Times has in its pressroom—are quite capable of turning out, at the rate of many thousands per hour, "a small, portable, and neatly-indexed publication." But the more important question is whether the public—upon whom every newspaper publication must rely for support—would prefer the form of newspaper suggested by Mr. Harmsworth. While there is undoubtedly force in the objections which he raises to the "clumsy shape of the ordinary newspaper," it will be a daring publisher who first issues his newspaper in the shape of a "small, portable, and neatly-indexed publication." It is noticeable that Mr. Harmsworth, editor and proprietor of the London Daily Mail, does not intimate that he has any intention of issuing his paper in such form. The advantages of such a form, however, are many and obvious.

Mr. Harmsworth's opinion of the value of newspaper illustrations is interesting. "An occasional newspaper illustration," he says, "if it can be properly produced, is no doubt a good thing, and is appreciated as helpful by the reader; but many of the present-day illustrations are quite unnecessary, and are merely given as a matter of habit, or because rival journals use them, or even for the less urgent reasons that there is a certain amount of space to be decorated and artists or photographers to be kept occupied. No daily journal which relies principally upon its illustrations has been, in any real sense, an overwhelming success."

Mr. Harmsworth's idea of the value of newspaper illustrations is evidently based upon the usage among English newspapers, which are far less given to illustrations than are American newspapers. There is a great deal to be said, pro and con, on this subject, and after all is said there are bound to be radical differences of opinion. The judicious use of illustrations, well executed, is unquestionably pleasing to a large proportion of newspaper readers. But it is beyond dispute that many American newspaper publishers have gone too far in this matter. Cheap and coarse illustrations of cheap and coarse subjects cheapen and coarsen the newspaper which employs them. Better no illustrations than the wretched apologies for illustrations which disfigure the pages of many newspapers, the names of which it is unnecessary to mention.

In Mr. Harmsworth's opinion, the power of the press is not what it used to be. This is especially true of England, he declares, "where the editorial or 'leader,' which was formerly read and quoted by all men of intelligence, is now scarcely glanced at. There has begun a kind of warfare between the various organs," he says, "by which they very largely injure their own positions and that of their opponents. An item of news published in one paper is immediately discredited in another, and the public, naturally enough, comes to the opinion that newspapers are usually inaccurate, and to often dismiss a perfectly correct statement as 'mere newspaper talk.'" It must be borne in mind that Mr. Harmsworth is discussing newspaper conditions as they exist in England. In the United States, conditions are not the same as he describes. The influence of the press here as an educator has increased rather than diminished. It rests with the editors and publishers of newspapers to determine whether this great influence for good or for evil shall be retained. The responsibility is superlative. If the power of the newspaper be consecrated to the public good, and if it be inspired by right motives, the influence which it enjoys will not only be retained, but it will be increased. It is the abuse of power, not the legitimate and proper use of it, which undermines and ultimately destroys its influence in the affairs of men.

Discussing the journals of the twentieth century, Mr. Harmsworth grows more or less prophetic, and predicts the ultimate formation of a gigantic newspaper trust. He says:

"I feel certain that the newspapers of the twentieth century will be drawn into the vortex of combination and centralization. In fact, given the man, the capital, the organization and the occasion, there seems to be no reason why one or two newspapers may not presently dominate the sections of the United States or almost the whole of Great Britain. In other words, where there are now a multitude of papers, good, bad, and indifferent, there will then be one or two journals. The method by which such journals would be established would be precisely those employed in the formation of an ordinary trust. Possessing its own wires, dispatch boats and special trains, the simultaneous newspaper concern would soon have its own paper mills, printing-ink factories, machine shops and the like.

"The simultaneous newspaper would represent a standard of excellence which has never before been attained, and with its vast resources it would be able to carry out on an unprecedented scale an enterprise outside of the usual newspaper field. . . . Imagine the influence which would be exerted if an overwhelming majority of the newspapers in the United States spoke with the same voice, supported the same principles and enunciated the same policy! Such a state of things would be a terror to evil-doers and to the supporters of anything inimical to the commonwealth."

With all due respect to Mr. Harmsworth and his opinions, this prediction appears to partake rather more of the nature of a "pipe dream" than of sober common sense. There are many reasons why "the vortex of combination and centralization" is not likely to engulf the newspapers of the twentieth century. In the first place, their interests are essentially diverse, and in many cases antagonistic. No common basis of "combination and centralization" could be found for the newspapers of any great section. Without doubt, there are more newspapers published—especially in the United States,—than the requirements of the public demand. But the whole idea of "combination and centralization" suggested by Mr. Harmsworth is impracticable, not to say impossible, in the United States. The newspapers published in different sections—from the small country weekly to the great metropolitan daily—represent more or less faithfully the interests, the aspirations and the ideas of the people residing in those sections. They supply, more or less perfectly, the local needs of the localities in which they are issued. No scheme of central management could meet the public demands so completely and so effectively as do the local newspapers. Public opinion would refuse to be represented, directed, or influenced, by a newspaper trust of the kind contemplated by Mr. Harmsworth. Independent newspapers would at once spring up on every side if such a scheme were attempted, and the people would support them, to the ultimate undoing of the trust organs.

Mr. Harmsworth imagines the influence for good which would be exerted "if an overwhelming majority of the newspapers in the United States spoke with the same voice, supported the same principles and enunciated the same policy." He says that "such a state of things would be a terror to evil-doers and to the supporters of anything inimical to the commonwealth." But suppose that the great newspaper trust which he contemplates took the side of the evil-doers? What then? Would it be an influence for good, or a power for evil? Mr. Harmsworth's prophecy loses its force from the evident fact that he fails to contemplate the latter contingency. It is quite obvious, even to the superficial observer, that "the simultaneous newspaper" is a very long distance in the future.

It will not facilitate the signing of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty by Great Britain for American statesmen and American newspapers to explain why that country will refuse to sign it. Wise policy would take it for granted that our British friends can appreciate the reasons which exist for the terms proposed by the United States.

Dozens of persons residing in Nebraska are giving away their property and getting their ascension robes ready and preparing for the coming to an end of the world. In the midst of all this turmoil, Col. Bryan continues to hunt for subscribtions to his much-talked-of weekly paper.

The evidence is in and it shows that the American troops were the first to enter the Forbidden City. And it may be added that, like George Washington, they are first in the hearts of their countrymen.

Henry Bonn, a Chicago resident, was killed by the accidental closing up of a folding bed. The folding bed has as many bad traits and is about as tricky as the army mule.

Mr. Cleveland says he did not vote for President McKinley. This is not to the ex-President's credit. He should have had the courage of his convictions.

William J. Bryan, it has again been shown, is indorsed with much more evidence of enthusiasm where men feed than where they vote.

A Philadelphia man has just opened the largest undertaking establishment in the world. He does not state what he is to undertake.

A Minneapolis mother has named her newly-born child Alpha Omega, because she says it is her first and last.

Kentucky has forty-eight counties where no whisky is sold. It's the wise Kentuckian who runs his own still!

AT THE THEATERS.

LOS ANGELES THEATER. Some good specialties, some good dancing, some fairly good singing, a whole lot of girls who are both young and pretty, some attractive scenery and a mess of the dreariest drivel ever inflicted upon a suffering audience, comprise the alpha and omega of "The Belle of New York," which opened an engagement at the Los Angeles Theater last evening for three nights and a Saturday matinée.

The company is large and contains a considerable amount of talent, if it were properly and intelligently utilized. The piece ought to be cut unmercifully. It is too long, anyhow, lasting until after 11 o'clock. As a musical medley, interspersed with dancing and other specialties, it would be tolerable—even entertaining. But the attempts to make a plot are altogether too much in evidence, and spoil the effect of the parts which are really clever and entertaining. These crude and clumsy attempts are simply sickening to the intelligent auditor.

The first of the two acts is less offensive than the second. It goes with vim, and the specialties succeed each other so closely that there is not much room for the silly, driveling, blithering talkiness (when there's nothing to say) which spoils the first seven-eighths of the second act. This tedious tommy-rot will drive more people away than the attractive portions of the play can draw.

The possibilities of a distinct success, along spectacular musical and Terpsichorean lines, are in this piece. But these possibilities, as it was presented last night, are not realized.

Of the people who do the work it is not necessary to speak in detail. Edward J. Connelly has undoubted merit as a comedian, and with different material might be decidedly funny. George Tollman is forced by the idiotic requirements of the lines and situations to take himself altogether too seriously, but would very likely be a tolerably good actor if he had a rational role. Joseph Kane makes a fool as well as a lunatic of the character of Karl von Pumpernick. Arthur Deagan does some creditable work as "Blinky Bill," and the same may be said of James Darling as Kenneth Mugg.

The women, almost without exception, are fair to look upon, and some have talent. Beulah Dodge is an exceptionally beautiful girl, and is satisfactory as Violet Grey, a Salvation Army lassie. She has a very sweet voice, which with further discipline might make its mark. Mae Salior shows considerable dramatic talent as Fifi Fricot. La Belle Dazie does some clever dancing. Flo Perry is "cute" as Mamie Clancy, and Gertrude Ruttger makes the most of the role of Cora Angelique. The costumes worn are elegant, and some of the stage pictures are exceedingly pretty.

The Alice Nielsen Opera Company will be heard at the Los Angeles Theater the first four nights of next week, and at a special matinée performance on New Year's afternoon. "The Singing Girl" and "The Fortune Teller" will be presented. Miss Nielsen's company this year is said to be "larger and better than ever." Eugene Cowles, basso; Richie Ling, tenor; George Butler, baritone, and Joseph Herbert, Joseph Cawthorne and John Slavin, comedians, are in the cast.

"Way Down East," a story of rustic life in New Hampshire, will come to the Los Angeles Theater next Friday and Saturday evenings, January 4 and 5. The sale of seats will open next Monday morning.

THOSE CLOUDS OF MARS.

When Illumined by the Setting Sun They Appear as Luminous Points and Can Be Seen.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

PARIS, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Prof. Camille Flammarion was interviewed today on the subject of signals from the supposed inhabitants of the planet Mars. He declared that the luminous points observed by Prof. Douglas north of the Icarian Sea were due to the setting sun lighting up the clouds which exist solely in the Martian atmosphere in the neighborhood of the Icarian Sea.

Flammarion does not believe in the theory that the Martians are trying to communicate with the earth at the same time we are trying to reach them. He believes, however, that it is possible to establish communication with the Martians. He approves of Prof. Schmoll's idea of reproducing an outline of the luminous points of the Great Bear at Bordeaux, Marseilles, Strasburg, Paris, Amsterdam, Copenhagen and Stockholm. He will lecture on this subject February 9.

TO DEVELOP DAMARALAND.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 27.—A strong international syndicate has been formed for the development of the mineral resources of Damaraland. The bulk of the capital, which is British, will be held jointly in London, Paris, Berlin and New York. The German government, which was formerly extremely discouraging toward the efforts of foreign capitalists to develop the country, is now offering every facility. The scheme includes colonization, mining, irrigation and the construction of a railway from Swakopmund to Elijimbingve.

CROWE'S FLIGHT.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The Boston police have evidence to indicate, they think, that "Pat Crowe" and the other man who is wanted on a charge of kidnaping young Cudahy, are on the Watten liner Michigan, bound for Liverpool, and a cable containing that information has been sent to the Scotland Yard detectives, who will be on the Liverpool docks when the steamer arrives.

COMPETITION AND TAXATION.

Topics Before Economic Association.

Professors Ely and Howe Read Papers.

Historical Society Joins in the Annual Convention—Work of Committees.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

DETROIT, Dec. 27.—The first joint session of the American Economic Association and the Historical Association met in the Methodist Church today. After the 350 members of both societies gathered in the church had been formally welcomed to the city by Mayor Maybury, President Richard T. Ely of the American Economic Association, who presided over the meeting, read a paper on "Competition, Its Nature, Its Permanency and Beneficence."

PRESIDENT ELY'S ADDRESS.

Prof. Ely spoke in part, as follows:

"Competition is a permanent feature of human society. It begins with the lowest order of animals and continues its action among the highest order of men. But it continually mounts to higher and higher elevations, and means rivalry forever, better and better things. We leave behind contests for bare subsistence to engage in contests for noble prizes of the mind and for opportunities for social service. We can now see one of the tests to which we must submit proposed measures of social amelioration. A good social measure must strengthen the individual and the group for such competition. A bad condition weakens individuals and groups in the competitive struggle.

"Combination of labor and combinations of capital may expand freely, so long as these combinations mean merely association and coöperation. But when combinations mean monopoly, either competition must be restored or, where this is impossible, the ends of competition must be secured by other methods of social control; and if these methods of social control in some cases mean public ownership and management of industries, a place must be opened for the competitive principle in the terms of admission to public employment.

"There is a radical difference between the socialistic extension of governmental activity which has in view the suppression of competition, and that conservative demand for an extension of governmental activity which has in view the maintenance of competition.

"There are two somewhat antagonistic lines of desirable social evolution. One approaches—without hope of ever reaching—real equality of opportunities in economic competition. The other is found in the construction of great institutions which shut in and limit competition, but which nevertheless, are the very foundations upon which our civilization rests, the depositories of race achievements. I have in mind the great economic-juridical institutions of private property, inheritance, and vested interests. The progressive approximation to equality in opportunities must not be permitted to go so far as to undermine these institutions. In the mutual adjustments of these two lines of evolution, we have given us one of the weightiest and most delicate tasks of the twentieth century.

"Competition thus conceived is beneficient. The competitive order, rigidly controlled by society, furnishes to men the maximum of pleasure with a minimum of pain. Not only does it promote progress for the race, but to an increasing extent, all men participate in the benefits of this progress. It means rivalry in the service of self and other selves—rivalry in the upbuilding of the ideal man in the ideal society. Competition gives us a brave, strong race of men, and the brave and strong are merciful."

At the close of the joint session, the two societies adjourned to the University club room where they were tendered a smoker by the local Arrangements Committee. Tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock both societies will leave for Ann Arbor, where two joint sessions will be held, with President Angell of the University of Michigan in the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session of the American Historical Society was devoted to a public session of the church history section. Prof. James Balliss of Columbia University read a paper on "American Ecclesiology."

Prof. Francis A. Christie of Meadville, Pa., theological school, contributed a paper on "The Date of the Ignatian Epistles," and Secretary Samuel M. Jackson read a paper on "The Origin of the Apostles' Creed," which was written by Prof. Arthur C. McGiffert of Union Theological Seminary who was unable to be present on account of illness.

While the papers were being read various committees were transacting business. A report on membership showed the total to be 1640, an increase over last year of 230. A committee on next place of meeting decided to hold the next sessions in Washington in 1902. An invitation by cable was received by Dr. Pias of Rome, Italy, asking the society to join in an international historical congress, to be held in Rome in 1902, which was accepted.

HOWE DISCUSSES TAXATION.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

DETROIT (Mich.,) Dec. 27.—"The Taxation of Quasi-public Corporations" was the subject discussed at the morning session. Dr. Frederick C. Howe of Cleveland was the first essayist, and he spoke in part as follows:

"The present confusion in State and local taxation is largely traceable to legal and constitutional reasons. It arises from the restrictions of the courts and the Federal Constitution upon the powers of the States to tax transportation companies and those engaged in interstate traffic. Many of the evils of the personal-property tax are traceable to the same conflict of jurisdiction. In no branch of the science of finance is there as much confusion and lack of uniformity as in the taxation of corporations of a quasi-public character, such as railroads, telegraphs, telephones, express, gas, water, electric lighting and street railway companies.

"In some States we find such property taxed under the general property tax; in others under a gross-receipts tax, and in others by means of licenses. Taxes on receipts from interstate traffic are objectionable owing to the fact that it is a regulation of interstate commerce, and hence invalid. The courts have, however, permitted the taxation of gross receipts, both local and interstate, when it asumed the form of a franchise tax or tax levied upon the privilege of doing business within a State.

"In recent years, the tendency has been back of the taxation of property and away from the taxation of earnings. But instead of taxing railroad property by an inventory of its roadbed, right of way, rolling stock, etc., under later laws, the valuation has been made from the stock and bonds of the company. In some instances this has been called a property tax; in others, franchise tax, and in the case of the Ford franchise tax law, recently passed in New York. This is the method approved by the Pennsylvania tax conference in its celebrated report of 1895. It is the method employed in Connecticut, and with some modifications, has been adopted in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

"One of the chief advantages of this tax lies in the fact that it has been approved by the United States courts. Moreover, it treats the corporations as an entity, a unit or a going concern, and values it as such. Further than this, it adopts the valution of the commercial world as evidence of the price for which stocks and bonds have sold, and values the corporation by adding to the market value of the stock of the company the par value of the bonds. In some States this method is employed as to all corporations. Under the Ford franchise tax law, which taxes the properties upon their franchises, as well as their physical property, the assessments of street railways, gas, water, electric lighting and similar companies in the year 1900 were increased $170,000,000 over any previous valuation upon the physical value only."

Frederick N. Judson of St. Louis read the second paper on the subject. Following the papers there was a lively discussion participated in by Prof. E. R. Seligman of Columbia University; James B. Dill, New York; Arthur J. Eddy, Chicago; Prof. William R. Ripley of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and others.

DREYFUS ONCE MORE DENIES ACCUSATIONS.

SAYS HE WILL SEEK REVISION TO HIS LAST BREATH.

Convicted Man Brands Rochefort's Statement Concerning a Stolen Letter as a Falsehood—Appeals to the Premier to Order an Inquiry.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

PARIS, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] Dreyfus has written to the Premier, M. Waldeck-Rousseau, classing as another falsehood the recent statement of M. Henri Rochefort, in the Intransigeant, that he (Dreyfus) had sent to Emperor William of Germany, in 1894, a letter stolen from the German embassy at Paris, and which, annotated by the Emperor, constituted formal proof of the crime "for which I have been twice unjustly condemned," and adding:

"My innocence is absolute, and legal recognition of this innocence by a revision I will seek to my last breath. I am not the author of the bordereau, annotated by the Emperor, which is a forgery, nor of the original authentic bordereau, written by Esterhazy to save Henry. All the principals of my iniquitous condemnation are still alive. I am not despoiled of all my rights. I still retain that right of every man to defend his honor and have the truth proclaimed. I therefore have the right to ask you to order an inquiry."

PICQUART'S PROTEST.

HE ASKS NO AMNESTY.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

PARIS, Dec. 27.—[By Atlantic Cable.] Col. Picquart has written to M. Waldeck-Rousseau, warmly protesting against the inclusion of himself in the Amnesty Bill. He says he does not wish to owe his rehabilitation to such a measure, and indignantly repudiates the rumors that compensation will be offered to him now that he has been amnestied.

He declares that in order to demonstrate the falseness of such a story, he renounces his appeal to the State Council against the decree placing him on the retired list, thus disposing of the accusation that he is seeking advancement or a decoration.

PIRATES RAID THE BRITISH POSSESSIONS.

TUGERI TRIBE GIVE THE POLICE MORE TROUBLE.

Five Junks Sunk or Captured in Fight on the Water—Ship Ledore Blown Over at Newcastle—Blacks Eat Their Employer.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

VICTORIA (B. C.,) Dec. 27.—H.M.S. Miowera has news that the ship Ledore, waiting for a coal cargo at Newcastle, December 1, was caught in a storm, and the wind catching her port quarter, she went over. Fortunately, there was but fourteen feet of water where she anchored, and her masts prevented her from turning turtle. The crew, thirteen in number, had a sensational escape from death, many being just hauled out of the water rising in the vessel in time to escape death. The vessel will be a loss, it being impossible to raise her.

From Queensland the news was received that a prospector named P. Killane had been killed and eaten by the blacks whom he engaged to pack for him.

Gold is reported having been found in Samoa, near Apia, and a company has been formed there to develop the mines.

The steamer Miowera brought advices of a raid on British possessions by the Tugeri tribe from Dutch New Guinea. A squad of police met the pirates from Tugeri at the mouth of the Morehead River. A fight in the water ensued, in which the police captured or sunk five junks. No prisoners were taken, but it is estimated that over thirty were shot or drowned. There were no casualties among the government forces. Afterward the Tugeri made another raid on the Morehead River villages, killing fifteen persons.

The Tugeri tribe for years has given a great deal of trouble. Six months ago they concluded terms of peace with the British, a most elaborate ceremony being carried out on the occasion of the vice-regal visit to the islands of the straits.

FIRE ON LONDON DOCKS.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—One of the most serious fires which have occurred in the east end of London during the last ten years, broke out today at the East India docks. Five immense sheds filled with goods, including 1000 bales of hemp and quantities of jute, were consumed. The shipping in the neighborhood and other warehouses were only saved by the utmost exertions of the firemen.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Senator Pettigrew's son is just back from South Africa. He was a volunteer in the Boer ranks.

The King of Italy has granted permission to Capt. Bresci, brother of King Humbert's murderer, to assume his brother's maiden name.

The presentation shield intended for Gen. Baden-Powell, wrought from 200 Kruger sovereigns, has been completed but, owing to the general's ill health, the ceremony of presentation has been rather indefinitely postponed.

This would have been Mary Anderson's "silver" year as an actress had she remained in active service in the profession. Her first appearance was made on November 27, 1875, in Louisville, in the character of Juliet.

"Ben Hur" has been translated into most European languages, with fair success, and now a translation into modern Greek is contemplated. It will be made by a young Greek Sophocles Hudaverdoglu, resident in Constantinople.

Jack London, the author of the Klondike stories which lately had so much success, has taken to writing magazine essays on the most serious subjects. Those which he has furnished to one or two periodicals on tramps and their ways represent his best work in this line.

John Kendrick Bangs lives at Yonkers, N. Y., his home being a handsome villa on North Broadway, surrounded by a garden. His library commands a glorious view of the Palisades and a long reach of the shining Hudson. Here he does his editorial work and writes about ghosts and boating on the Styx.

John Phillip Sousa and his band will play at the International Exposition of 1901 at Glasgow, Scotland, for four weeks next October. After his Glasgow season Sousa will take his band to London for a series of concerts, after which he will make a tour of the principal cities of Great Britain and Ireland, returning to America about Christmas time.

Prof. Frederick Starr of the University of Chicago started recently on a six months' trip among some of the unknown tribes of Mexico. The Lancandones, one of the tribes he expects to visit, are one of the least known peoples in the Western Hemisphere. Prof. Starr will have the aid of three assistants, a photographer, plaster worker and a guide. Much of the traveling will be through dense forests, and 300 miles of horseback riding will be necessary.

RIPPLES OF MIRTH.

All Real.

[Philadelphia Bulletin:] "Do you think her hair is all real?"

"Why, of course. A girl with her means would never buy any other kind."

Had it Right.

[Life:] "Here's an account of a dispute between two New Yorkers as to which is the most corrupt city in the Union."

"Well, they ought to know."

Why He Wears It.

[Indianapolis Journal:] "What makes any man wear a monocle?"

"Oh, I suppose he wishes to indicate that he can see as much with one eye as ordinary men see with two."

Too Many Guys.

[Philadelphia Press:] "Miss De Mure is such a guileless creature, isn't she?"

"Don't you believe it. Guy-less? Not much; she has more guys chasing around her than any other girl I know."

"Going Up."

[Chicago Post:] The young author was reading from his manuscript.

"At this," he read, "Maude De Vere drew herself up."

"Where did she get the pulley?" asked the caustic critic.

Just Too Lovely.

[Cleveland Plain Dealer:] "Maude Flutterby told me she was coming to your vaccination party."

"Yes. She's getting the loveliest décolleté vaccination dress made that you ever saw."

Her Adventure.

[Chicago Record:] "Have you ever had any thrilling adventures, Penelope?"

"Yes; once I stood on the arm of a couch to fix a window curtain and the couch shot across the room with me."

GENo Introduction Needed.

[Washington Star:] "Do you think it is proper to introduce money in a political campaign?" inquired the man of lofty ideals.

"It doesn't wait to be introduced," answered Senator Sorghum. "It just breaks in."

At His Word.

[Philadelphia Press:] (He:) Why deny it? It is because some gossip intimates that I'm not true to you that you have broken our engagement.

(She:) Oh, no. It is because I believe you truthful that I am breaking it.

(He:) Indeed.

(She:) Yes; you remember you have frequently told me that you are not worthy of me.

She Would Help.

[Richmond Dispatch:] (Father, to son just returned from football game:) So you lost the game, did you?

(Son:) Yes; and by a single point, at that; but it will teach us a lesson. Our interference was weak, and another year that failing will be remedied.

(Father, in pianissimo tone and with sly glance toward the hallway:) If you need more interference, Jack, you'd better get your mother to join the team.

Rudely Disturbed.

[Chicago Tribune:] "What are you fellows doing here?" asked the janitor of the apartment house, looking suspiciously at the two dejected pilgrims sitting on the front steps.

Tuffold Knott and Limping Lazarus made no motion to go.

"Hain't ye got no better manners," said the former, with crushing dignity, "than to disturb two gen'l'men w'en they're discussin 'the disposition of the gov'ment surplus?"

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

San Bernardino wants a street fair in the spring.

Oakland is to have a flax factory which will give employment to several hundred operatives.

Harold Havens of Piedmont was seriously burned while playing Santa Claus at a Christmas entertainment.

"Jack the Hugger" is up to his naughty old tricks in a new quarter. San José enters complaint against him.

Ontario has passed an ordinance prohibiting the scattering of handbills or of posting them, except on authorized billboards.

The new town of Ethanac is said to be growing with great rapidity, and is the busiest section in the great San Jacinto plains.

One thousand dollars has been appropriated for the purchase of an X-ray plant to be used at the San Francisco City and County Hospital.

Eleven Berkeley men may be compelled to pay $250 each on account of an error in the publication of the license ordinance in the town's official paper.

A Visalia young lady appeared on the street wearing pinks from Manila, a belt from Manila, a bit of jewelry from France and a handkerchief from India.

E. L. Allen, a Riverside postoffice carrier, has a daily route of forty miles, all within the city limits. It is said to be the longest postal route in the United States.

Two Oakland hunters, out of ammunition while shooting at a target, whiled away the time shooting at headstones in the Mountain View Cemetery. A cemetery employé who endeavored to stop the vandalism was soundly pummeled.

R. A. Ohm of Ukiah, a hunter of big game, while in pursuit of a deer, encountered a huge panther. He fired and wounded the animal, which turned upon Ohm. The hunter threw the beast and finally choked it to death.

A mystery of Butte county has been cleared up by the finding of a lot of human bones in Trail Hollow, a ravine in the hills above Chico. The bones are supposed to be those of James Thomassen, an old man who disappeared eight years ago.

PICTURE AGE.

Great Numbers of Stamp Photos Almost Make Your Head Swim—Good Advertisement.

"Eleven thousand people have had stamp pictures in my gallery in the last eighteen months," said a photographer yesterday.

"Has the stamp-picture craze been detrimental to photography, as a business?"

"No; in the same period I have had an increased number of larger pictures. It seems rather to have taught people to sit for pictures who otherwise would not have done so. You may have some idea of the number of pictures turned out by all the photographers in Los Angeles, within the past eighteen months, when I take that of the 11,000 stamp photos, one-fifth brought duplicate orders, producing a total of 264,000 pictures. Besides these were the thousands of pictures made from the negatives.

"When stamp pictures became the rage many photographers looked upon the innovation as destructive of business, but it has had the contrary effect. The wise man took it as it may be, as a means of self-protection, appalled at the idea of giving one or three dozen pictures for 25 cents, but by making them the very best he could, you see, I have made a handsome profit out of the business, and have advertised my business to advantage at the same time.

"The idea of getting their pictures taken laughing, sober, hat on, hat off, in all sorts of ways, and all for two bits seemed to catch people. They delighted themselves ridiculous (some of them just for the fun of the thing, for there was the baby. They had to have its picture every month so they could watch it grow. Another thing that made them go was their ardent desire to watch charms, breastpins, visiting cards, and a hundred different things.

A leading high-grade photographer was questioned on the subject.

"Of course," said he, "the stamp-photo business doesn't effect me one way or the other. People who appreciate us do not use stamp pictures. During the year and a half you mention we have photographed probably 50,000 people, none of them taking less than a dozen pictures."

The directories list thirty photographers, but this list does not include scores of small galleries and those scattered all over the city, nor the kodak fiend. Figure on it for yourself and you will decide that this is a picture age.

BRIBERY IN CUBA.

Contractor Dady Denounces as False the Charge That He Offered Rodrigues Money.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

HAVANA, Dec. 27.—[By West India Cable.] Charges reflecting on Mr. J. Dady having been made in the Mayor's office in connection with the sewering and paving contract, has denounced as utterly false the statement that $50,000 has been offered to Mayor Rodrigues with a view of influencing his decision. At the same time he declared that, if any one will make an affidavit fixing the responsibility for the slanderous accusation, he would take steps to procure the arrest and prosecution of the instigator, even if it should prove to be the Mayor himself.

"This is not the only occasion," he asserted, "when an attempt has been made to blackmail me."

So far as the contract is concerned Dady says he will fight to the last. Señor Nunes, the civil Governor, is known to hold that Dady has fully followed the requirements of the law, and that therefore the contract is not void and of no effect. It is understood that Gen. Wood will sustain the Governor and the Mayor, but he has not a final judicial decision.

EDITORS ARRIVE FROM EUROPE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor of the New York World, and A. H. Harmsworth, proprietor of the London Daily Mail, were passengers on board the steamer Teutonic, which arrived here today from Liverpool.

MUSIC BOXES

SPECIAL PRICES TOMORROW AND MONDAY.

If you want to buy a box for your own use or for presentation, now is the time to do it.

Symphonium Music Boxes . . .

All the way from ten up to a hundred dollars. These boxes play any number of tunes and any kind of a tune. If you desire, you have to pay all cash, pay what you please and we'll charge the balance.

Southern California Music Co.,

216-218 West Third St.

Bradbury Building

[REAL ESTATE RECORD.]

HOUSE AND LOT.

The Year Closes on a Steady Market.

Several Good Sales of Acre Property.

The Vexed Postoffice-site Question Comes Up Again—Building Notes.

The holidays have interfered with real estate business during the past week, and trading has been light.

The year closes on a steady market, which does not, however, show the buoyant features that were expected to develop by this time. There is every prospect that after New Year's we shall do better. Certainly the outlook could not be more favorable, and many investors who fail to take advantage of the present low range of prices will have cause to regret their lack of foresight before the end of next year.

OIL LANDS.

The price of really first-class oil land continues to rise, while wild-cat oil property, so called, is more difficult of sale. Investors and speculators are beginning to realise that there is about as much difference in the value of the two classes of land as there is between that of a lot on Broadway and one on Boyle Heights, and to govern themselves accordingly.

An important sale of oil land northwest of Los Angeles is announced, the Rhodes Oil Company having transferred a controlling interest in the Brea ranch, leased on royalty, from Mrs. Hancock to the Brea Ranch Oil and Asphaltum Company, which will proceed to develop the property on a large scale.

THE RIVER SECTION.

Another purchase has been made by the Terminal Railway Company of a twenty-acre tract on the east side of the river, just south of the depot, at a price stated to be $35,000, or over $1700 an acre, which is more than asked for some property on this side of the river, half a mile nearer to the business center. It is evident that the advance in values long predicted for the coming factory section of Los Angeles, southeast of the business center, is near at hand.

RIVERSIDE SALE.

Real estate has been active in the orange-growing sections of late, owing to the good results attained by growers. The Riverside Press gives the following particulars of a recent transaction in that section:

"For some months several parties in Riverside have been figuring on developing the land at the extreme southwest corner of the valley, commonly known as the foothill tract. This land has belonged to the Riverside Land Company, and that company has only waited until a reasonable offer could be made by responsible parties who would develop the land before putting in a pipe line to carry water from the canal to the tract. The tract lies along the foothills to the right of the lower end of the valley. It comprises 225 acres, is entirely free from any danger of frost, and is the only available large tract of foothill land left in the settlement.

"A short time ago P. T. Evans, D. D. Gage and W. L. Peters made an offer of $36,500 cash for the property, and the deal was closed, and the papers were signed today which transferred the tract to the new owners. The pipe line which Martin & Ormand are at present laying to the land for the company, will be completed in a short time. As soon as the necessary two and a half miles of cement ditch are laid from the end of the pipe line around the tract, the new owners will plant the entire property to navel orange trees. Buildings to cost about $5000 will be put up on the south corner of the tract, telephone connections made, and everything gotten in shape to make that part of the valley attractive and profitable.

"Mr. Evans stated that none of the land will be sold, but that the purchase was made not for a speculative purpose, but as an investment."

THE POSTOFFICE QUESTION.

The perennial postoffice location question has bobbed up again in Los Angeles. This time it involves the location of a temporary postoffice site while the government is completing the extensive addition to the Federal building on South Main street.

The question involves a somewhat heated discussion among property-owners as to where, or whereabouts, the business center of Los Angeles city is. Certainly it is not at the corner of North Main and Requena streets, one of the proposed sites, and still less at the corner of Spring and Eighth streets, the other. Considering second and Spring streets as the present business center, the proposed North Main street site is nearer to that point than the Eighth-street site by about 200 percent. If the interests of the wholesale and manufacturing sections alone were considered, there would be no comparison whatever between the two sites in point of convenience.

The frequent postoffice removals during the past dozen years, have been made chiefly for speculative real estate purposes, rather than to suit the convenience of the public. The present location is a case in point. It is admittedly inconvenient, and not in the direct line of the city's growth. The St. Vincent College site, proposed at first sight, would have been far preferable. The location of the postoffice seven years ago, on Spring street just north of First, was much nearer to the present business center than any of the three sites it has since occupied.

If one of the two sites mentioned has to be chosen as the temporary location of the postoffice, it would seem that the installment of the chief office at North Main and Requena streets and the removal of Station C to some point between Second and Third streets, on Broadway or Hill street, would about meet, as near as possible to accommodating a majority of the postoffice patrons.

ESTATES OF BRITISH SUBJECTS.

The following circular has been issued by Mr. Mortimer, the British Vice-Consul in Los Angeles:

"I beg to inform you that the convention between England and the United States, relative to the disposal of real and personal property of inhabitants, which was signed at Washington on March 2, 1899, has been ratified, and ratifications were exchanged at Washington on July 28, 1900. Under the terms of this convention British consular officers in the United States have the right to appear personally or by delegate, on behalf of absent heirs or creditors, in all proceedings for the administration of estates of British subjects dying intestate, and leaving unknown heirs. Article III provides for information as to such estates being supplied to consular officers in the following words:

"'The competent local authorities shall at once inform the nearest consular officer. . . .' I will be very much obliged if you will inform me of any estates administered in your district, in which I have the right to appear."

BUILDING NOTES.

Among contemplated building improvements, noted in the Builder and Contractor, is a two-story ten-room residence for H. C. Hooker, on the south side of Adams street, east of Portland street, to cost $14,000.

A two-story brick building is to be erected at Oxnard for Ben Verden. Oxnard is just now enjoying a building boom.

At Bakersfield a three-story brick hotel is to be built at the corner of Eighteenth and M streets for A. R. Eyraud.

The new Rivera Hotel and sanitarium to be built on the corner of Second and Chestnut streets, Long Beach, will be three stories and basement, and cover a floor space, including verandas and pavilion, of about 90x170 feet. The basement will contain three sample rooms, storeroom, barber shop, trunk room, laundry, etc. On the first floor is located the business office, parlors, dining hall, kitchen, toilet and other conveniences. The second and third contain over fifty chambers, bath and toilet rooms. The front of the building will be treated with ornamental plaster work; repressed brick mantels will be built in the office, parlor and dining-room.

The following permits of $2000 and over have been issued by the City Superintendent of Buildings:

J. A. Keeney, two-story, eight-room residence, Union avenue between twentieth and Washington streets $3000.

John B. Althouse, two-story residence, northeast corner West Tenth and Lake streets, $2985.

George W. Stimson, two-story residence, No. 1214 Ingraham street, $2800.

Same owner, two-story residence, No. 942 Westlake avenue, $4200.

Same owner, two-story residence, No. 1223 Ingraham street, $2750.

L. L. Bowen, two-story, ten-room residence, east side Beacon, between Eighth and Ninth streets, $4000.

George W. Stimson, two-story residence, No. 1218 Ingraham street, $2700.

ame owner, two-story residence, No. 941 Alvarado street, $3000.

Same owner, two-story residence, east side of Westlake avenue, between Ninth and Eleventh streets, $3800.

Barr Realty Company, two-story residence, south side of Jefferson street, east of Flower street, $2500.

Same owners, two-story residence, same location, $2500.

George W. Stimson, two-story residence, No. 952 Bonnie Brae street, $3800.

Same owner, two-story residence, No. 1003 Bonnie Brae street $4000.

PUNCHING ARGUMENTS.

A feature promised for the sparring exhibition at the Los Angeles Athletic Club this evening is the six-round preliminary between Kid Williams and Dixey Kid. The former has agreed to stop Dixey in six rounds or forfeit the entire purse. Three times these two have fought the limit, twenty rounds, and each time Williams has been given the decision. He alleges that the failure to be in good condition prevented his stopping Dixey Kid. The main event will be between featherweights, Banks and Solomon, for the championship of Southern California.

INSANE ACTIONS.

Frank Grimshire was found by a policeman last night walking up and down Bunker Hill avenue and talking loudly to himself. His actions were such as to indicate that he is insane, and he was arrested. He will be sent to the County Hospital today.

NOBODY BLAMED.

The inquest upon the remains of W. D. Anderson, who was killed by a Traction car on Central avenue, Christmas night, was held yesterday. A verdict was rendered to the effect that the accident was unavoidable, and that no blame could attach to the street-railway employés.

DYING MAN'S SILENCE.

Chicago Italian Refuses to Betray the Men Who Attempted to Kill Him—End of a Vendetta.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Refusing to disclose the names of the men who attempted to slay him, John Garvorsio, an Italian, lies dying at his home. With his abdomen slashed and gored as though with a blunt stiletto and his shoulder cut in shreds, the wounded man, still conscious, but with his life despaired of, refuses absolutely to betray his Italian brethren. The case is the most mysterious Italian crime that has come to the police, and it bears every evidence of a vendetta.

The police first learned of the affair through the doctor who had been called to attend the wounded man. Garvosio, while on his way home late Tuesday night, met three men, one of whom savagely attacked him with a knife. Garvorsio managed to drag himself home, and all night he lay in agony, refusing to summon a doctor. In the morning he consented, and when advised to go to a hospital refused to be removed.

From Garvorsio's neighbors the police learned that he has for weeks been looking for a man who is said to be the murderer of his cousin in Italy. The murder occurred several years ago, and Garvorsio followed the murderer to church. Lately he is said to have located him. One of the three men whom Garvorsio met on the bridge Tuesday night is believed by the police to be his enemy.

LINE TO SOUTH AFRICA.

New Steamship Service to Be Known as the Hansa to Be Started in the Near Future.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A new steamship service is to be established from New York to South African ports and Calcutta by the Deutsche Dampschiffahelts Gesellschaft Hansa, the new service to be known as the Hansa service. The exact date when the service will start has not been announced, but it will be in the near future, and the service will at first probably be monthly.

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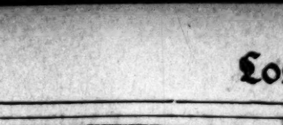

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THE PUBLIC SERVICE—IN THE OFFICES AND COURTS.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY.

The membership of the fire and park commissions has been nearly determined by the Aldermen-elect. Appointments to other positions are still held in abeyance.

The last regular meeting of the present Park Commission was held at the City Hall yesterday.

John W. Coxe, recently convicted of embezzlement, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary yesterday.

W. F. McAvoy, a stockholder, has filed a suit, charging mismanagement against the directors of the Puente Crude Oil Company.

The Supervisors have granted an electric franchise for a street railway from Santa Ana to Los Angeles.

The Hanley-Patterson contest to date results in a reduction of Hanley's majority from 17 to 11.

John Phillips, suspected of having robbed an old soldier, was sentenced to serve ninety days for disturbing the peace, by Justice Morgan yesterday.

Hal Schroeder, a cook, has been arrested on a charge of robbing an old soldier in a saloon.

[AT THE CITY HALL.]

STILL ARBITRATING THEIR "PIE PROBLEMS."

NEW COUNCILMEN CAUCUSING ON MUNICIPAL APPOINTMENTS

Personnel of the Fire and Park Commissioners Practically Determined, but the Police Board Membership a Hard Nut to Crack.

The seven Republican members of the Council-elect have been arbitrating their "pie problem" in sundry caucuses of late, but no definite determinations have been reached. According to the new Aldermen, the process employed has been in the nature of winnowing the chaff from the wheat, but the public has yet to decide whether the proper force of the bellows was applied.

Regarding the personnel of the various commissions some conclusions have been reached that practically amount to a confirmation. Of the commissioners that have served the city for the past two years on the police, fire and park boards, it is generally conceded that Jacob Kuhrts of the Fire Commission is the only one to retain his place. Mr. Kuhrts has been connected with the fire department in various capacities since 1876, and he has come to be regarded as almost indispensable there.

It is stated on good authority that the new Councilmen do not favor keeping the members of the various boards but prefer a "new deal" all around. In this way the Aldermen-elect will avoid placing the blame for official acts on the shoulders of any particular person, and will incidentally have a chance to drop the bright plums into mouths that have not yet experienced the sweet—or bitter—taste

Jacob Frankenfield, who served on what was the Board of Freeholders, will probably be tendered an appointment on the fire board, and Dr. Charles E. Bacon of Boyle Heights and B. O. Webb of the Sixth Ward are slated to complete the list.

There will be a clean sweep in the Park Commission, and the men most likely to be tendered appointment are J. C. Cribb, M. J. McGarry, James Russell and Dr. D. K. Dickinson.

Secretary John F. Mendenhall of the park board appears to have much the best of the fight for park superintendent, and Harry Meserve has a good chance to step into his shoes as secretary.

For positions on the Police Commission, rumor has been busy with the names of George W. Walker, a cigar dealer, Willard Stimson of the Fifth Ward, and James A. Keeney, also of the Fifth Ward. Nothing definite has been given out about the matter, however, and it is said that some questions in regard to it are still unsettled.

No changes will be made in the head of the police and fire departments, but there is a hard fight on over the position of assistant chief of the fire department. It is proposed to turn Charles Fuselehr out after eleven years of continuous service and to put Fred T. Hughes, the meat inspector, in his place. There is a general protest against placing him in the position of a man who has served long and faithfully, merely for political reasons. The question has not been settled, but at the present time it looks as though Hughes had the best chance to win.

Councilman Pierce has just about won his fight to install his brother, Dr. Clarence Pierce, as police surgeon. Since graduating two years ago Dr. Pierce has spent a year in practice at the California Hospital. Dr. Ralph Hagan would like to be reappointed, and Dr. E. M. Pallette would not be averse to having the position.

It is stated that A. A. Bennett will be retained as plumbing inspector, and that John G. Paterson has a good chance for reappointment as boiler inspector.

ITS EXIT BOW.

PARK BOARD BIDS ADIEU.

The curtain has been rung down on the commission that for two years has had charge of the city parks. The last regular meeting of the board occurred yesterday morning, but there was no distinguishing mark to indicate that it was the last, or that the chairs in the committee-room would know the "parkists" no more.

The outgoing commission is proud of the legacy it leaves its successors in office. It is proud of the parks and of the improvements made therein during the last two years. The members, A. C. Jones, Charles E. White, Matthew Teed, L. L. Clark and Mayor Eaton, ex-officio chairman, do not expect to longer watch over the destinies of the city's breathing spots, but they will still retain an active interest in their management.

"Despite the two dry seasons with which we have had to contend, I believe more has been accomplished in the way of park improvement in the last two years than in any six years before," said Mr. Clark yesterday. "A good start for a menagerie has been made at Eastlake Park; an aviary has been put in at Hollenbeck Park, that is a source of never-failing interest to thousands of people, many aquatic birds have been added to the attractions at Westlake and the hot houses and propagating stations have been enlarged and their efficiency increased. The walks and boulevards in Elysian Park have been widened and increased and I am free to say that the board can look back at what has been accomplished with a feeling of satisfaction."

WITHOUT BLOODSHED.

The trouble over the location of the bandstand at Hollenbeck Park has been settled out of court. There was no war and no bloodshed. A meeting of Ninth Ward citizens was called and they voted not to place the new bandstand on the island, but to locate it just east of the present temporary structure. This will occasion the remodeling of the plans that have been drawn and the bandstand will cost about $100 instead of $800 as estimated for the island location.

The Mayor brought the matter up in the board yesterday by asking Mr. Clark what had been done about it. The Commissioner replied that it had all been settled and that he was entirely out of the discussion.

"I recommended that it be located on the island," he said afterward, "because the music could then be heard from all parts of the park. From the proposed site on the east side of the lake the wind carries the sound away from the park and the music can be plainly herd at First street and not at all at the south end of the park. Mrs. Hollenbeck opposed the island location because she feared it would interfere with religious services at the Hollenbeck Home, and as she has been so liberal in many ways, her wish could not be overlooked. It is all definitely settled now and I think there will be no further complaint about the bandstand."

TWO ANTLERED ELKS.

When John McLaren, superintendent of Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, was here some months ago, he made a conditional gift of two young elk to the Los Angeles park department. The natural beauty of Elysian Park appealed very strongly to Mr. McLaren, and he said that if the city would fence off ten acres of land around the reservoir he would try and procure two elk from the herd in San Francisco with which the park department could start a herd. The cost of various makes of fence and the expense that would probably be incurred in raising the elk was discussed at length yesterday. Finally the secretary was instructed to write to Superintendent McLaren and ascertain if his offer still held good. If so the fence will be built. Superintendent Garey informed the board that two good specimens of the elk would be worth about $1000.

WILL GET HIS MONEY.

For remodeling and rebuilding the Eastlake Park boathouse, the lessees of the boating privilege expended about $300 or $150 more than was intended by the Park Commission. It was understood that the money due the city from the lease was to cover the improvement, but when all the bills were paid this sum had been overdrawn by $33. John White, one of the lessees, was before the commission yesterday to secure a demand for the amount. After some discussion it was allowed by the board.

Vetter Back.

Councilman Louis F. Vetter has returned from the Christmas "high" and "low" jinks of the Bohemian Club of San Francisco. He was warmly congratulated by many friends yesterday. Mr. Vetter came in on the Owl which was six hours late on account of two frieght wrecks along the line, and as the member from the Third expressed it, a holdup—by the porter. Mr. Vetter says he intends to "see the finish" of the present Council.

Too Much Dust.

The Los Angeles Driving Club has filed a petition with the Council asking that Wesley avenue be sprinkled as far as the entrance to Agricultural Park. At present there is a stretch of about 1000 feet near the park that is not sprinkled. The petition recites that the dust is not only extremely unpleasant, but seriously damages clothing.

[AT THE COURTHOUSE.]

REAL ESTATE AGENT PAYS SIN'S WAGES.

EMBEZZLEMENT SENDS HIM TO STATE'S PRISON.

John H. Coxe Sentenced to Serve Five Years in the Penitentiary at San Quentin—Begins an Immediate Appeal. His Sudden Disappearance Recalled.

John H. Coxe, the local real estate and insurance agent, who was recently convicted of embezzlement, was sentenced by Judge Smith yesterday to five years in the penitentiary at San Quentin.

Coxe immediately took steps to appeal his case to the Supreme Court. Pending a decision by the higher tribunal he will remain in the County Jail.

The offense of which he was convicted was found by the jury to amount in money to $200, belonging to a traveling Englishman named Percy Richardson. Coxe, who for years had held a power of attorney from Richardson, mortgaged some of the latter's property for $300 and failed to account to him for it. Then Richardson came on and his agent was arrested.

That was last August. Coxe was arraigned before Justice James and released on his own recognizance, whereupon he created a sensation by mysteriously disappearing for a few days. Some said he had committed suicide by drowning off a Santa Monica pier. But later he was arrested by Constable Pritchard of Santa Monica up in Ventura county. Coxe had walked up the coast and the Constable had overhauled him. He admitted that he had suicide in mind when he suddenly left the city, but the water was so cold and wet that day that he decided to postpone self-destruction, and not knowing what to do, set out up the sandy beach afoot.

At his trial Coxe pleaded a counterclaim as a defense. Richardson's property was valued at about $1200. Coxe had handled it for over ten years. At the end of that time, according to his figures, the property was all gone and Richardson owed him $49. Coxe denied, however, that he ever had any intent to steal in mortgaging the Richardson realty.

OIL MEN'S TROUBLE.

MISMANAGEMENT ALLEGED.

Charges of gross mismanagement were made in a complaint filed with the County Clerk yesterday against the board of directors of the Puente Crude Oil Company.

The plaintiff is W. F. McAvoy, who is suing John B. Bushnell, P. J. Beveridge, Spoor Mackay, John M. Beveridge and M. P. Snyder. The company owns 780 acres of oil land in the Fullerton district. It organized the first of the year and much of its stock was sold in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino and Riverside counties, but now, it is alleged its money is all spent, its property scantily developed, and a debt of $5000 on hand—all through the alleged mismanagement and bad policy of the directors.

After the purchase of the Fullerton property, a deal was consummated in May to buy additional oil property in Kings county for $5000. The money it is alleged, was paid to Bushnell, the company's secretary, and 100,000 shares of stock issued to him, in fraud of the stockholders, two-thirds of whom did not ratify the proposition.

The directors are charged with raising the $5000 from Warren Gillelen by mortgage on the Fullerton property without approval of the stockholders, and now plaintiff asks that the mortgage be declared null and void. The company's annual meeting of stockholders is to be held either in Pomona or in Phoenix, Ariz., on January 7, and it is asked that an injunction be issued to restrain Bushnell from voting his 100,000 shares at the election of new directors, and that the $5000 raised by security be decreed to be held in trust for the stockholders.

FRANCHISE SOLD.

NEW ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

The Board of Supervisors has passed an ordinance granting to D. H. Thomas and his assigns the right to construct the long-talked-of electric street railway, as proposed, from Santa Ana to Los Angeles.

Mr. Thomas pays $5 for his franchise, and was the older bidder.

The life of the franchise, which is for an electric road—steam, compressed air and all other powers being tabooed—is to be thirty years, provided the conditions of the ordinance are complied with. A double track must be used.

The route in a general way, is to begin at Santa Ana and run to Anaheim, thence to Whittier, and thence to the city limits of Los Angeles, in the vicinity of East Second street.

The ordinance provides that cars must run every two hours from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., unless prevented by the elements or circumstances beyond the control of the grantee. Work of construction must be begun within six months and completed within eighteen. Transportation rates must not exceed 2½ cents per mile, with a minimum fare of 5 cents. School children under 18 years of age shall be furnished commutation tickets at half fare.

Aside from the purchase price of the franchise, the county, in recompense for the rights it yields, is to receive from the operating company 3 per cent. of the railway's gross receipts, on and after July 15, 1906.

The ordinance will take effect immediately after its publication, as required by law.

DISMISSED BY DEATH.

ANDERSON'S APPEAL CASE.

It was death that dismissed the appeal case against W. D. Anderson, whom Police Justice Morgan had fined $100 for selling liquor to a minor on August 17.

The minor was Hattie Clarke, aged 15, who is also known as Hattie Pinkerton. She was given beer. Anderson, a bartender, dispensed it to her. Humane Officer W. B. Craig arrested him. The defendant, whose attorney was Joe Scott, Esq., appealed from the judgment of the lower court, and Judge Smith was prepared to hear the case on Wednesday, but Anderson, who was out on bail, did not appear. Mr. Scott asked that the matter be continued one day, until he could ascertain his client's whereabouts. Yesterday morning he stated to the court that he had just returned from an undertaker's, and that the W. D. Anderson killed by a Traction car on Central avenue on Christmas was the defendant W. D. Anderson.

HANLEY LOSES.

YESTERDAY LOWERED HIM SIX.

Yesterday's feature in the Patterson-Hanley fight for Supervisor was to the effect that Hanley's majority to date has been reduced from 17 to 11.

The recount, which has now been in process for three days, is far from complete. The court had hoped to hear oral testimony this morning, with reference to the alleged misconduct of the election officers of Los Angeles City Precinct No. 57B, where Hanley's majority was 17, but it may be impossible to reach this matter today. The Supervisors, sitting as a canvassing board, made Hanley's total vote 2319 and Patterson's 2298. Up till last night Hanley's total loss by votes thrown out was 33: Patterson's, 26 or 27.

Totals, however, as yet are uncertain, and at best only tentative.

INCORPORATED.

TWO COMPANIES YESTERDAY.

The Regal Oil Company of Los Angeles incorporated yesterday with a capital stock of $300,000, divided into 300,000 shares, of which amount $500 has been subscribed. Los Angeles will be the principal place of business. The directors are A. D. Elwell, C. E. Price, E. A. Doran, A. C. Brouse, all of Los Angeles; E. L. Doran, Avalon.

The Los Angeles-Oaxaca Mining and Milling Company incorporated yesterday with a capital stock of $100,000, divided into $20 shares, of which amount $2000 has been subscribed. The directors are W. W. Lowe, H. Christie, M. Rieder, L. Behymer and W. O. Welch, all of Los Angeles.

COURTHOUSE NOTES.

BREVITIES MISCELLANEOUS.

MAN OF WORDS. Henry Longstreet, the San Pedro man charged with burglarizing three schoolhouses and stealing dictionaries, was examined preliminarily at the harbor burg Wednesday and bound over to the Superior Court to answer. This is the second time. A failure to file an information against him in the criminal court within thirty days nullified his first examination and necessitated a new process.

UHL'S CASE. Judge Smith has granted a new trial to Emanuel C. Uhl of Monrovia, who was recently convicted of a minor misdemeanor and fined $10 in the justice's court. Uhl is charged with removing a lock from an irrigating main.

GRIFFITH'S SUIT. G. J. Griffith began suit yesterday against the First National Bank of Los Angeles to recover $6197.86, alleging that the bank refuses to pay that amount due on deposits. The bank, on the other hand, alleges that this sum aggregates the money forged out during two years by R. A. Bird, erstwhile Griffith's confidential clerk, now in the County Jail under conviction of forgery.

HIS SECOND TRIAL. The second trial of R. W. Stewart, the colored ex-policeman charged with criminal assault on Gracie Cunningham of No. 513½ South Spring street, on May 10, began in Judge Smith's court yesterday. A special venire of thirty men was summoned to furnish jurymen, selecting whom was begun in the afternoon. The first trial resulted in a "hung" verdict of seven to five for acquittal. Stewart is out on bail in $1000.

CRAZY DAVIS. Morris Davis, a burly young negro who was arrested at Vernon on the 19th inst., was examined by Dr. George L. Cole and Dr. F. H. Ainsworth yesterday and found to be insane. Judge Shaw ordered him committed. At times the patient is very violent, and gets up enthusiasm by butting his head against the wall. He imagines that he is cursed by his mother, Phoebe Gibson, who is now in Clifton, Ariz. Although she is so far away, he believes he hears her talking to him. When he prays he hears other voices.

WOMEN MISTAKEN. Jennie Jones and Edith Baxter, proprietresses of a lodging-house at No. 144 South Main street, failed to win out in their suit for $1500 damages against the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Manufacturing Company. They alleged that the furnishings of their house were damaged through the discharge of smoke, soot and ashes from defendant's large smokestack in the rear of their premises. The court couldn't see it that way, and gave judgment to the company.

YANKEE DOODLE SUED. The Yankee Doodle Oil Company was made defendant yesterday in a suit begun by the Baker Iron Works to recover $310.50, the price of a 11¾ casing spear alleged to be wrongfully withheld by the company. Plaintiff also asks for $200 damages.

GOOD-SIZED ESTATE. H. W. Hellman asks for the probate of the will of the late William Slaney, who died on the 23d inst., leaving property valued at $40,000. The surviving heirs are four children.

BIG DAMAGES ASKED. Harriet W. R. Strong and W. H. Russell are suing Julius B. ohn and others for damages in $25,000, alleged to be due for a nuisance caused by the construction of certain dams near Ranchito, whereby plaintiff's property is injured and destroyed.

INSANITY COMPLAINTS. Complaints were issued by Deputy County Clerk Kutz yesterday charging E. J. Doheny and F. A. Walker with insanity. The charges against Doheny, who lives on Ducommun street, are preferred by his wife, who says he is both suicidal and homicidal in his mania.

[POLICE AND JUSTICE COURTS.]

PHILLIPS'S EXCUSE TRULY A WONDER.

FEARED HEAVY MAN WAS ABOUT TO FALL UPON HIM.

Ninety Days the Sentence—Cook Charged With Robbing Old Soldier Comes Out of Hiding and is Caught—Change of Heart.

John Phillips, suspected of having robbed Charles Murphy in a saloon Christmas night, gave to Justice Morgan yesterday a most unique explanation of his part in the affair.

He said that he was suffering from rheumatism, and was afraid Murphy was going to fall on top of him. That was why he took part in the "rough house." To move the court by a due sense of his deadly peril, Phillips called attention to the fact that Murphy is a heavy man, while he weighs but 119 pounds.

"Well, Mr. Phillips," said the court, "your actions certainly had a most suspicious appearance."

That night, Phillips and a man named Grant, detained on suspicion, came into a saloon in the tenderloin with Murphy. They did not stop at the bar to drink, but went into the back room, from which there presently came the sounds of battle. Others hanging about the saloon rushed to the rescue and found Murphy chasing the two men about the room. As they dodged him, a purse was passed back and forth between them.

Grant finally made a dash for the door, where he was caught. To assist in his escape, Phillips hit Murphy. Grant was caught outside, and near the outside of the door the purse was found, empty. Murphy said there had been $8 in it when he came to the saloon.

Justice Morgan sentenced Phillips to serve ninety days in jail for disturbing the peace.

Changed His Tune.

What Barney Nelligan said to Thomas Andrews, in their heart-to-heart talk in a prison cell, is what the policeman who arrested Barney would like to know. Andrews experienced a change of heart, and decided that he wasn't sure after all that Barney robbed him.

Andrews is an old soldier. Night before last, he was found on Los Angeles street in the thickness of a roaring drunk. With him was a young man—Barney Nelligan. Andrews was making a great noise about having been robbed. He said a pocket-book containing $13 had been stolen from him. He thought Nelligan must have done it.

They were both brought to the Police Station and put in the same cell. Yesterday, when taken into Justice Morgan's court, Andrews went back on his story. He didn't know anything that would connect Nelligan with the robbery at all.

The court, nevertheless, postponed Nelligan's sentence for drunkenness until today. Andrews got $3 or three days.

Came Out of Hiding.

Thinking that the trouble about his alleged robbery of an old soldier had blown over, Hal Schroeder, a cook, ventured out of his hiding place yesterday and was nabbed. He was charged in the Police Court with grand larceny.

The robbery of the old soldier took place the 15th inst. He was from Covina. His name was Henry Thomas.

About 7 o'clock on the evening of that day, Thomas was in a saloon at No. 301 East First street. He had a purse containing $28 in his pocket. Schroeder was also in the saloon.

Not long after 7 o'clock Thomas went to the back part of the saloon, and Schroeder was seen to follow.

Thomas says that he was held up in a closet and his money taken from him. He turned and struck the man a hard blow in the neck. The robber then fled.

Schroeder has not been seen since until yesterday morning. He was caught on Main street.

Quirks of Law.

Consult a lawyer every morning before your bicycle ride. New complications in the ordinance of the bicycle bells spring up over night.

John Scott, a colored bell boy, was fined $1 in the Police Court yesterday, not because he didn't have a bell, but for having too much bell. The ordinance provides that every bicycle must have a bell, which must be rung when necessary to give warning.

Scott had a tiny sleigh bell fastened on his wheel. It jangled merrily all the time, or none of the time, maybe. The kind of bell that the police hold to be de rigueur is a bell that rings only when you press the button.

Policelets.

Richard Pierce, the colored man who missed the man he shot at three feet away the other night, was arraigned in Justice Morgan's court yesterday on a charge of assault to murder. Pierce has only one eye. Perhaps that may account for his eccentricity in winging his man half-way across the street, after his first miss at short range.

Miss M. G. Roberts was convicted of vagrancy in the Police Court yesterday. She was sentenced to serve thirty days, but the sentence was suspended on good behavior. The testimony showed that the girl works as a domestic, and has behaved herself except for an unfortunate slip that got her into the hands of the police.

R. Moya was found looking for trouble on Los Angeles street, with a ferocious-looking butcher-knife of amazing proportions. The police got the knife and Moya, and Moya got the trouble. There is more of it coming to him, for he will be brought up in the Police Court today.

RAILROAD RECORD.

Salt Lake Line's Headquarters to Be in Los Angeles—Passes for the Coming Year—Insurance Scheme Favored.

The Southern Pacific annual passes will not be issued for some time to come. This is, probably, owing to the changes made in the presidency of the road. All annual passes for 1900 will be honored until February 15, 1901. The roads generally have made no important changes in the issuing of annual passes. For ten years there has been a growing tendency to restrict such favors. This is especially true of passes issued by each road to employés of others. The regulations this year are no different from last year, excepting that a general committee, whose members are scattered at important gateways, has been appointed to deal with the pass business.

The employés of the Southern Pacific are taking quite kindly to the new issuance scheme, as a rule. The new system is in the main a device of the men themselves, and may be regarded as their response to the plan proposed months ago by the officials. The new plan leaves it free to all employés, old or new, to go into the thing or not. There are three or four features in the plan, and a man may take one or more at his pleasure. The expense is much less than under the company's plan. Many of the employés think the new scheme will draw in a great many of the men all over the road.

The headquarters of the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad will be in Los Angeles, where its interests will center. It will not be in alliance with any other road or system. Its policy will be to furnish to all roads from the eastward, and reaching Salt Lake, egress from that city to the Coast, and it will treat all roads exactly alike, so as to draw business from all.

GRAND LARCENY CHARGED.

Mexican Accused of Entering a House on the Laguna Rancho and Stealing Everything That Could Be Moved.

Manuel Miranda was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of grand larceny, consisting of the theft of a number of articles from a house on the Laguna rancho. On the 2d inst. the house was forced open during the absence of its occupants, and fifty-nine string of chile peppers and a number of agricultural implements stolen. The theft was at once reported to the police, and two detectives have been working on it ever since. They found where the stolen peppers had been sold in Pasadena, North Pasadena and even as far as Alpine Tavern, on Mt. Lowe.

The theft was traced to Miranda, and he was arrested at his home at Ninth and Mateo streets. He admits having sold the chiles, but says he purchased them from a man whose name he does not know, and whose description he cannot give.

SAN GABRIEL GOLD.

W. J. Finley, who has been out on a prospecting trip for several months past, returned to Los Angeles yesterday from San Gabriel Cañon, with the information that Messrs. Giddings and Dripp of this city, who recently purchased from Tom Vincent a claim on the North Baldy for $20,000, had struck a large vein of free gold, well in place between both walls, assaying high values in cubical gold, going well up into the thousands. The vein is said to be well defined, and large chunks of pure gold have been found. The new owners are making arrangements to place a number of men at work on their property on their return to Los Angeles.

Mr. Finley says his properties, which are located thirty-three miles above Azusa, near the Big Narrows, are looking fine, with recent development, and that he has struck thirty inches of water in his tunnel, which is in 300 feet. He says that section of the country never looked so encouraging as now.

TAHITI AND THE SOUTH SEAS.

This wonderful country, the realization of the poet's dream, hitherto inaccessible save to the few who were willing to brave a long voyage in small sailing vessels, has been put within easy reach by a new steamship service. The favorite S.S. Australia sails from San Francisco January 4. The time of the voyage is but eleven days. For literature and party rates, apply to Oceanic S.S. Co., No. 2 0 South Spring street.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Title Insurance and Trust Company will be held at the office of the company in the Abstract Block, No. 301 New High street, in the city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, State of California, on Tuesday, January 8, 1901, at 7 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors and transacting such other business as may come before said meeting.

WM. H. ALLEN, Jr., President.
O. P. CLARK, Secretary.

TOURISTS' PLEASURE TRIPS.

Carriage carrying six passengers with driver to Baldwin's ranch and return, $5. Lusk Cab Co. 750 South Main. Tel. main 297.

ANTIQUE FURNITURE.

A few rare pieces at Eckstrom's, the upholsterer, 513 South Broadway. Tel. James 3731.

ICE BOXES, store fixtures, designing. Unica Cabinet Works, 410 S. B'dway. Tel. brown 1822.

Wines for New Year....

Our peerless gold medal wines need no recommendation to those who have tried them.

We grow, press and age them and can fully guarantee them for purity and strength.

Pure old Port, Sherry, Tokay, Angelica and Muscat, 75c and $1.00 gal.

Sonoma Zinfandel and Riesling, 50c to $2.00 per gal.

Fine Sauterne.....quarts 50c and 75c
Fine Sauterne.....pints 25c and 50c
Fine Clarets.....quarts 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c
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Fine Riesling.....quarts 25c, 35c, and 50c
Fine Riesling.....pints 25c and 50c

EXTRA SPECIAL
Carte Blanche
CHAMPAGNE
Reduced in price for New Year.
Quarts, regular price $1.25, at 85c
Pints, regular price 75c, at 55c
This champagne is equal in every respect to the imported article, and is the choicest of the California product.
Try a Bottle.
Southern California Wine Co.
220 West Fourth Street. Phone M. 332.

Holiday Novelties
Souvenirs in Shells and Novelties.
WINKLER'S CURIO, 246 SOUTH BROADWAY.

$5 to $20 Cut on Yale Bicycles.
(Don't tell 'em that I told you.)
E. R. RISDEN CYCLE HOUSE,
452 South Broadway.

GAS AND ELECTRIC FIXTURES
Large assortment and right prices. Call
Z. L. PARMELEE, 324 S. Spring St.

AUCTION.
Auction
Fine Furniture
Bric-a-brac
Oil Paintings
609 S. Main St., Friday, Dec. 28,
At 10 o'clock a. m. On account of departure of W. S. Maxwell and family from the city, I am authorized to sell, without reserve, all the furniture, carpets, paintings, bric-a-brac, water colors, engravings, draperies, lace curtains, piano, parlor furniture, rugs, bedroom suites, dining-room furniture, library furniture, dishes cutlery, silverware, and property for sale or lease.
THOS. B. CLARK,
Auctioneer.

AUCTION Trustees Sale of Meyberg
Stock of Crockery and Glassware.
Daily 2 p.m. 343 S. SPRING ST.

AUCTION.
TO THE TRADE,
Friday, Dec. 28, at 437 S. Spring St.
The entire stock of Agate-ware, Tinware, etc., will be sold to the trade without reserve.
C. M. STEVENS, Auctioneer.
Office 429 S. Spring St.

Notice for Publication

OF TIME FOR PROVING WILL, ETC.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, STATE OF California, county of Los Angeles, ss. In the matter of the estate of William Slaney, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Friday, the 11th day of January, 1901, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the courtroom of this court, department two thereof, in the city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, and state of California, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing the application of Herman W. Hellman praying that a document now on file in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, be admitted to probate, that letters testamentary be issued thereon to the said Herman W. Hellman, at which time and place all persons interested therein may appear and contest the same.

Dated December 17, 1900.
C. W. BELL, County Clerk.
By W. L. WARREN, Deputy.
A. W. Hutton, Atty. for Petitioner.

PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLIES, SOLDIERS' Home, Los Angeles Co., Cal., Treasurer's Office, Dec. 10th, 1900. Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 10 a.m., Saturday, December 29th, 1900, for furnishing and delivery of supplies at Pacific Branch, National Home D. V. S., quantities to be increased ten per cent. if required during the execution of the contract. Standards can be examined, and printed instructions and specifications and blank proposals will be supplied upon application to this office. Samples presented by bidders will not be considered, unless same are called for in specifications. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals, or to waive any informalities therein. Envelopes containing proposals should be endorsed "Proposals for Supplies, N. H. D. V. S.," and addressed to the undersigned. T. J. COCHRANE, Treasurer.

LEGAL.

Notice.

THE STANDARD CRUDE OIL DE... COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CAL... THERE IS DELINQUENT UPO... lowing described stock on account... sessment levied upon the third day... ber, 1900, the several amounts set... names of the respective shareholde... lows, to wit:

Names—	No. of certificate.	No. of shares.
G. A. Chapel	115	1,00
T. E. Kimball	139	1,00
D. K. Martin	144	1,00
M. L. Godfrey	151	25,00
S. D. Fahrney	165	1,00
George E. Philippi	166	20,00
W. W. Copeland	173	1,00
S. A. Kerr	180	50
John J. Taylor	181	50
Isaac R. Varney	272	1,00
D. K. Martin	288	1,00
Henry Pies	289	50
W. W. Randall	303	1,00
L. J. Kimball	304	1,00
Joseph Appleton	279	1,00

And, in accordance with law and... the board of directors of the said... recting a sale on the 28th day of... made on the said 2d day of Nov... order was subsequently duly... date of sale to Jan. 12th, 1901, so... of each parcel of stock as may be... will be sold at the office of said com... No. 204, Laughlin building, Los Angel... on the said 12th day of Jan., 1901, at... a.m. of such day, to pay delinquent... ments thereon, together with costs of... ing and expenses of sale.

LEVI D. ...
Secretary. No. 204 Laughlin Building, Los Angeles, Calif.

PROPOSALS FOR BRICK AN... building. Department of the Interior, Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C., Nov. 30, 1900. Sealed proposals endorsed "Proposals for building school, Arizona," and addressed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C., will be received at the Indian Office until two o'clock p.m. of Tuesday, January 29, 1901, for furnishing the necessary material and labor required to construct and complete the Phoenix Indian School, Arizona, a hospital building, in strict accordance with the plans and specifications and instructions under which may be examined at this office and at the offices of the "Arizona Republican," Phoenix, Arizona; the "Times," Los Angeles; the "Chronicle," San Francisco; the Builders & Traders' Exchange, Omaha, Nebraska; the Builders and Traders' Exchange, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; the Architectural Iron Manufacturers' Association, St. Paul, Minn., and at the U. S. Indian warehouses, 39 Jackson st., Chicago, Illinois; the U. S. Indian warehouse, No. 17 Wooster st., New York, and at the school. For further information apply to S. M. McCowan, Superintendent Indian School, Phoenix, Arizona. W. A. Jones, Commissioner.

Stockholders' Meeting.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the California Insurance Company will be held at the banking-house, corner of Main street and Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal., on Tuesday, January 8th, 1901, at 10 o'clock a.m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

J. C. ...
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 28th, 1900.

Notice for Publication

OF TIME FOR PROVING WILL, ETC.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, STATE OF California, county of Los Angeles, ss. In the matter of the estate of John ...

Notice is hereby given that Friday, the ... day of December, 1900, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the courtroom of this department two thereof, in the city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, and state of California, has been appointed at the time and place for hearing the petition of ... Lang praying that a document now on file in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, be admitted to probate, that letters testamentary be issued thereon to the said ... Lang, at which time and place all persons interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated December 12, 1900.
J. W. BELL, County Clerk.
By W. L. WARREN, Deputy.
A. W. Hutton, Atty for Petitioner.

Notice to Creditors.

ESTATE OF JAMES WALLEN SMITH, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ... undersigned, administratrix of the estate of James Wallen Smith, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within ten months after the first publication of this notice to the said administratrix at the office of her attorney, Los Angeles, California, which said office is the place fixed for the transaction of the business of the said estate, in the county of Los Angeles.

Dated Los Angeles, Cal., ... December, 1900.
FANNIE M. ...
Administratrix of the estate of James Wallen Smith, deceased.

THE OIL INDUSTRY.

SUNSET FULL ... OF PROMI...

Now One of the A... Oil Centers.

Two Sessions Daily ... Local 'Change.

Another Strike in Wh... Field—Home Developme... Business on 'Change.

Sunset's growing field is now ... most active oil centers in the ... and is daily bringing new prod... that are widening the horizon ... march which promises well for t... are of that section. Many de... have been erected recently and ... estimated that there are now ... standard rigs actually at work ... twelve derricks were erected ... the past fifteen days, and a ... present rate of progress there w... rigs in the field by February ... A map of the late develope... shows almost a continuous strin... producing wells in direct line fro... Navajo, in section 20, to the J... and Blodgett wells, in section 35... owing the regular and connec... der are the wells of the follo... mpanies: Navajo, Sunset Califo... nset King, Sunset Czar, Jew... odgett original wells, Sunset ... ond, Lion, Sunset Consolidated, ... rior, Arcola, Monarch, Pitts... d Jewett & Blodgett-Beal, with ... yal Sunset and the Gold Dollar ... ed in sections 2 and 35. ... the late reports from the fie... said that the Sunset King Oil C... ny has just finished putting ... am connections in its oil tanks ... delivering fuel oil daily, be... ping its own tanks filled, all ... l No. 1. The tubing rods and ... gs are on the ground and the ... l be placed on the pump in a ... ys.

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HOME FIELD.

NEW TANKS AND WELLS.

al oil producers who believe in ... g on to what the earth has ... them until better prices are of... are building tanks. C. Hanson ... of the latest to fall in line, and ... cting a large storage tank on his ... rty near the corner of New De... nd Figueroa streets

(THE OIL INDUSTRY.)

SUNSET FULL OF PROMISE.

Now One of the Active Oil Centers.

Two Sessions Daily on Local 'Change.

Another Strike in Whittier Field—Home Development. Business on 'Change.

Sunset's growing field is now one of the most active oil centers in the State, and is daily bringing new producers that are widening the horizon of richness which promises well for the future of that section. Many derricks have been erected recently and it is estimated that there are now 100 standard rigs actually at work there. Those derricks were erected there in the past fifteen days, and at the present rate of progress there will be 150 in the field by February 15.

Most of the late developments show almost a continuous string of producing wells in direct line from the Kern, in section 20, to the Jewett and Blodgett wells, in section 35. Following the regular and consecutive wells are the wells of the following companies: Navajo, Sunset California, Sunset King, Sunset Czar, Jewett & Blodgett original wells, Sunset Diamond, Linn, Sunset Consolidated, Superior, Arcola, Monarch, Pittsburgh and Jewett & Blodgett-Beal, with the old Sunset and the Gold Dollar located in sections 2 and 35.

The late reports from the field it is said that the Sunset King Oil Company has just finished putting in connections in its oil tanks and delivering fuel oil daily, besides using its own tanks filled, all from well No. 1. The tubing rods and fittings are on the ground and the well will be placed on the pump in a few days.

A pipe line for water is also being laid from the Sunset King property across to the hill to the Czar to supply the latter with water, thus economizing very materially.

One of the latest finds is credited to the California Sunset, operating on section 20, 11, 23. The new well of the company is in the south end of the district, near the Navajo, and it is said the sands grow richer as drilling proceeds.

The Sunset Czar has its second well practically rigged up, and the drill will be started before the middle of next week. The arrangements completed for obtaining fuel and water from the Sunset King will avoid the usual delays that have interfered with some of the Sunset work.

The drilling in the immediate territory has practically solved the question of depth and January will undoubtedly see the Czar No. 2 well in the oil sand.

The Sunset district has finally finished its water arrangements with the Sunset Oil Company, adjoining, and is now spudding for a week past, and has gone down about 100 feet. The drill has passed through the surface formation of yellow clay, with easy drilling and no indications of any water to interrupt progress.

The Sunset Consolidated work is progressing favorably. The company is now at about 250 feet and following the experience of the Linn, is putting in casing and allowing this casing to harden the clay and shut off the water, and will continue on this plan with each stratum of water, as it is passed, in order to insure a dry hole on entering the oil sand. The company expects to strike the main body of sand at ... feet.

One of the latest companies to commence operations is the Royal Sunset. The organization has obtained hold in section 35, adjoining the celebrated Jewett & Blodgett-Beal well and the Gold Dollar. The latter near the Arcola, in section 2. The Arcola has developed a first-class producer.

The California Sunset, in section 20, adjoining the Navajo, lying between the Sunset King and the Navajo territory, has a good showing of oil and is going into the oil sand, and expects to come to the first well and put it on the pump within the first ten days of the new year.

The Sunset Diamond has nearly one hundred feet of oil sand so far and no water in sight yet. Owing to the extreme tightness of the oil found in this well, which is on 13, 11, 23, and the amount of gas encountered, a gusher is looked for.

The very hard floors are encountered on the south end of the Sunset field. They are made up of sea shells.

HOME FIELD.

NEW TANKS AND WELLS.

Local oil producers who believe in living up to what the earth has given them until better prices are offered are building tanks. C. Hanson Low, one of the latest to fall in line, and is erecting a large storage tank on his property near the corner of New Depot and Figueroa streets.

A new up-to-date pumping plant is being installed by I. W. Shirley on the west side of First street and west of Figueroa avenue.

Mr. Ingrich will begin spudding for a new well today. It will be sunk on the corner of Yale and Bernardo streets.

On the corner of First and Vermont streets the Ohio Oil Company has begun sinking its second well. The company's first attempt was a failure.

The Oceanic Oil Company has just finished deepening well No. 1 on the Lyon tract, which is said to be making oil at a lively rate. Arrangements are being made to drill a well in the Sisters' Hospital tract.

E. Lisenbofer, a prominent oil man of Bakersfield, is in the city. He has been on the sick list for some time past, owing to the poor climate of Bakersfield there is a great deal of sickness there.

TWO CALLS A DAY.

EXCHANGE SO DECIDES.

Commencing today there will be two calls of stock on the floor of the Los Angeles Oil Exchange daily.

Yesterday was an important day in the history of the local exchange, and after a session of the members of that body, held after the regular session, several important amendments to the by-laws were adopted.

Among these reads: "No exchange member shall deal with any broker in Los Angeles who is not a member of this exchange in any listed stock, except to report them on the floor, and all members of the members in listed stock not exceeding $5000 in value in any one transaction, shall be conducted on the floor of the exchange during exchange hours."

This amendment is aimed to do away with curb trading and put the exchange on a better basis. In order that brokers will have plenty of opportunity to do their trading on the floor it was decided to hold two daily calls. One will be held at the regular time in the morning and a second beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Another amendment in which the buying public will be interested does away with the trading in stock valued at less than a quarter of a cent.

At a meeting of the governing board, held during the afternoon, it was decided to call a special meeting of the exchange next Wednesday for the purpose of voting on a change in the name of the exchange, and certain amendments to the present rate of commission. It is proposed to change the name to the Los Angeles Stock Exchange.

BUSINESS ON 'CHANGE.

Further strength and activity marked the course of oil stock-market trading yesterday. New records were made in several instances, and the greater number of securities showed substantial net advances at the close.

Among the most important transactions were the sales of Union stock, of which a total of twenty shares found a market—ten shares bringing as high as $56 a share.

Reed Crude opened brisk at an advance of several cents, selling at 65 cents. The closing prices was at a decline of 2 cents.

Southern Consolidated was among the also ran, and declined a whole cent before the market closed, briging 13½ cents.

In all a total of 4220 shares were sold for which $2809.75 was paid.

Trading for the day was as follows:

	Shares.	Price.
Fullerton Consolidated	100	$ .10
Globe	100	.23½
Globe	300	.22
Union	10	57.50
Union	10	56.00
Westlake	100	.12½
Westlake	100	.12¾
Central	200	1.22
Reed Crude	500	.65
Reed Crude	1,000	.63
Fullerton Oil	400	.14
*Southern Consolidated	100	.14½
*Southern Consolidated	500	.14½
Southern Consolidated	500	.13¾
Total	4,220	$2,809 75

*Buyer 30 days.

Bids and offers were: Alphs, 25 cents asked; Continental, 89 cents bid, 95 asked; Columbia, 41 cents asked; Oceanic, 65 cents asked; Southern California Oil and Fuel, 22½ cents asked; Uncle Sam, 13 cents bid, 15 asked; United Petroleum, $110 asked; Whittier Consolidated, 8 cents bid, 9¾ asked; Wilson, 32 cents bid.

PETROLEUM.

On the exchange yesterday petroleum of fourteen gravity and No. 1 grade was wanted, and a bid of $1 a barrel f.o.b., Los Angeles, was made for the product.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The official closing quotations for oil stock today were as follows:

Cal. Standard	$ .35	McKittrick	$ .46
Caribou	.82	Monte Cristo	3.15
Dominion	.35	Oil City Pet	2.50
Eldorado	1.85	Pet. Center	.23
Four	.50	Reed Crude	.63
Stanford	1.15	S. F. & Mex	1.10
Stand'd-Fresno	.46	San Joaquin	10.00
Home	4.90	Shamrock	.24
Independence	.21	Sterling O. & D.	2.75
Kern	9.37½	West Shore	3.25
Kern River	16.00	Wolverine	1.35
Lion	.19	Yukon	.46
Monarch of Ariz.	.44		

NEW BULLETIN.

"Oil and Gas-yielding Formations of California," is the title of Bulletin No. 19, just issued by the State Mining Bureau, from information compiled by Prof. W. L. Watts. The work will be of interest to hundreds of men engaged in the oil business in this State, as it shows the result of much time and care in preparation, and is in all respects reliable, coming from such an acknowledged authority as Prof. Watts. The industry is treated on a scientific basis, and it deals with all the oil fields of importance or otherwise in the State, and as it treats each seperately and in a technical manner, there is much valuable information to be gleaned from its 236 or more pages. Besides a number of interesting illustrations, there are a number of valuable maps of the important oil-producing sections.

HERE AND THERE.

NEWS OF DEVELOPMENT.

Since October the Century Oil Company has been drilling on the southeast quarter of section 24, 28, 27, and has made a gallant fight to find the precious fluid, but as yet without success. Two wells have been drilled and abandoned, and a third is now being drilled. Reports from that field, which is in the extreme western end of the Kern River field, say the drill in the third well has entered a small body of oil sand, and that the prospect is encouraging.

There is sand in the well of the Black Goose well on section 24, 28, 27, which is just west of the Century property. The well is drilled to a depth of 1100 feet, and has just entered the second sand. Those who have examined the territory declare the character of the formation is identical with that in section 28, which is one of the richest oil-producing sections in the great Kern River field, the only difference being that operators are compelled to drill deeper.

One good producer is now owned by the Kern Cañon Oil Company, operating on section 25, 28, 27. It is said the well is doing better than 100 barrels a day, and that it is capable of even more.

Although the new well of the Kern River Oil Company on the south half of the northeast quarter of section 28, 28, 28, the same is now yielding at the rate of between twenty-five and forty barrels of oil a day, which is a remarkable showing under the circumstances.

The Four Oil Company on section 4, 29, 28, has let a contract for a 35,000-barrel reservoir to be erected at once. The company now has two 1200-barrel tanks, and is credited with shipping eighty carloads of oil from its three wells a month. Complaints are registered that cars cannot be obtained fast enough.

It is said that Doheny is now shipping about sixty-six carloads of oil a month from the McKittrick field, and Tredwell is turning out about the same.

Just what the new well of the Red Bank Oil Company on section 4, 29, 28 is flowing is hard to estimate, but it is believed that its production is between 200 and 300 barrels.

AROUND WHITTIER.

ANOTHER STRIKE MADE.

WHITTIER, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] Other than the strike at the North Whittier well there has been nothing of an unusual nature to chronicle regarding the Whittier field for some weeks. Wells are being put down in the proven territory with regularity and with no failures for several months. The well at North Whittier is down about 1000 feet, with a good showing of oil. The drilling has been exceedingly hard, as the formation was entirely new to the men in charge of the work, having never been tested. The dip is in the opposite direction from that which prevails in the developed territory. The well has, however, demonstrated that there is oil in the locality, and the next well will be put down with much less expense and trouble.

The Palo Solo Company, which is to operate on the Harvey tract, north of the city, has been delayed by necessary repairs on the boiler and will not commence drilling until after the first of the year. The derrick is completed and the machinery is in place. Drilling will commence with a 14-inch bit, and the company will start out with the intention of going deep, if necessary, to reach the sand.

President C. G. Warner of the Warner Oil Company is daily expected to arrive in the city from his home in Franklin, Pa. The company has the derrick for well No. 4 completed, and drilling will begin on it next week. Well No. 2 is still retaining its reputation as being the best producer in the Whittier field.

The Home Oil Company has well No. 11 down nearly 400 feet, and as soon as the crew can be taken from No. 9 work will begin on No. 12, the rig for which has been completed.

The Turner Oil Company has drilled out the pump, which was lost in well No. 3, and is deepening the hole. Slow progress is being made on No. 5, because of the hard formation.

The El Moro Oil Company is not making much progress on its well on the height of the ridge, as water has been bothering for some time. The hole is down in the vicinity of 800 feet, with 7¾ casing. Once the water is shut off drilling will be resumed.

Because of a collapsed shoe the Standard Crude Company, which is putting down a well near La Habra village, was obliged to pull the casing and as the hole has been made for a large portion of the distance through water sand there was a general collapse. The hole has been regained and the casing is down nearly the original distance, 785 feet.

The Central Oil Company is at present operating four strings of tools, drilling three wells and deepening the fourth. Rigs are being built near the line of the Warner company in the western section of the Central territory, and also on the eastern slope of the cañon next to the line of the Murphy Oil Company.

The Whittier Producers' Oil Company, which has a derrick completed on section 24, will not be able to commence drilling until after arrangements for water have been made. A cañon, in which there is a running stream, will be dammed for a reservoir.

The Central Oil Company has put its big boiler in position and the pump which is to supply the 500,000-gallon reservoir on the hill back of the city will be in operation within a few days. The East Whittier ditch has been cleared of mud for a portion of its length and will hereafter supply the water for the system.

The Whittier Oil and Development Company is making but slow progress on its well in section 24 because of the hard formation. The hole is down nearly 400 feet, but it is necessary to follow the drill closely with the casing in order to prevent caving.

On the Murphy Oil Company's property the derrick for well No. 9 has just been completed. Two strings of tools are in operation putting down Nos. 7 and 8 and Nos 5 and 6 are pumping.

KERN OIL.

DEVELOPMENT TO NORTHWEST.

BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 26.—[Regular Correspondence.] Four new companies, unnamed as yet, have been formed to operate in the Sunset district, two in the north in sections 34 and 35, and two in the south in sections 18 and 19, 11, 23. Each is backed by eastern capital and all were organized by H. L. Packard who organized the Jewett-Blodgett-Beal some time ago. Rigs are to go in at once on all the leases.

Operations to the northwest of the Kern River field are fast losing their wild-cat character in view of the steady march of the successful strikes in that direction. The latest to be made is that of the Century Company which has been drilling on the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of 24, 28, 27 for over a year and has succeeded in getting down to the oil at a depth of 800 feet after abandoning two ruined holes. This discovery is not as sensational as some that have been made in that locality, but it is on the outside, a quarter of a mile west of anything before found. The Century has got the first sand only, but as the conditions observed are identical with those farther east, the presumption is fair that the lower strata are also prolific This seems especially true in the light of the experience of the Black Goose Company on the east line of the same quarter, when the drill having passed through the upper layer, has gone into rich oil sand at 1075 feet. Apparently the only difference between this portion of the district and that which is considered fully demonstrated, is a difference of depth. The dip is toward the northwest.

The McWhorter Refining Company is erecting a building near the junction of the Santa Fé and the Southern Pacific, just east of Kern City, and is installing a small plant. For the present, the company will undertake to supply the local market only for distillates and will produce whatever of asphalt results from their manufacture. A carload of crude oil and half a carload of bituminous rock, per day, will be consumed.

DETECTION OF FORGERY.

New Discoveries Which Will Lend Aid in Showing Up Erasures and Disappearing Inks.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TIMES.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Experts on forgery come across some curious facts in illustration of how frauds and alterations practised on business papers can be found out. Prof. Bruylants, who has been engaged in researches of this nature, says that the usual method of finding out whether paper has been rubbed is to examine it as to its transparency. If the erasure has been so great as to remove a considerable portion of the paper, the erased surface is of greater translucency; but if the erasure has been effected with care, examination close to a light will disclose it, the erased part being duller than the surrounding surface, because of the partial upheaval of the fibers. If an erasure is effected by means of bread crumbs instead of rubber, and care is taken to erase in one direction, it is generally impossible to detect it, should the paper thus handled be written on again. Iodine vapors, however, show all traces of these manipulations very plainly. This vapor is of the greatest value to the forgery expert. For instance the tint of paper exposed to the vapor of iodine differs from that which this same paper assumes when wet first and dried afterwards. When sized and calendared paper, first partially wet and then dried, is subjected to the action of iodine vapor, the parts which had been wet take on a violet tint, while those which had not been moistened became either discolored or brown. Thorough wetting of the paper will cause the sprinkled parts to turn a heavy violet-blue color when exposed to the vapor, while the parts which were untouched by the water will become blue. If characters are traced with water on sized and calendared paper, the writing will show perfectly plain when the paper is dry and exposed to the action of iodine vapor. In this reaction water plays virtually the part of a sympathetic fluid. The brownish-violet shade on a yellowish ground will evolve to a dark blue ground after wetting. These characters disappear immediately under the action of sulphurous acid, but will reappear after the first decoloration, provided the paper has not been wet and the decoloration has been effected by the action of sulphurous acid gas. This process, therefore, affords mean of tracing characters which become legible and can be caused to disappear, but at will to reappear again, or which can be used for one time only and be canceled forever afterward.

"Tickey" Beer.

[London Telegraph:] One not impossible result of Lord Roberts's campaign may be the introduction to this country of a new assuager of thirst, in "tickey" beer. At present the concoction is indigenous to Cape Town, and it has been the universal refreshment of Mr. Atkins on landing there. His remarks, as a rule, on first acquaintance with the liquor have not been flattering, the slightly acid taste, which kills the drought in the throat, being not acceptable to his palate, but after a time he began to like it, and many a fine fellow has gone off to the front bearing affectionate remembrance of "tickey" with him. Locally it plays the same role as does "four ale" in London. The characteristic name is the South African equivalent for a three penny bit—the price everywhere charged for a bottle. A merit claimed for the drink is that a white man is physically incompetent to become intoxicated upon it.

LIVED OVER A CENTURY.

MONTROSE (Pa.,) Dec. 27.—Michael Maloney, a farmer of Lenox township, is dead at his home, at the age of 107 years.

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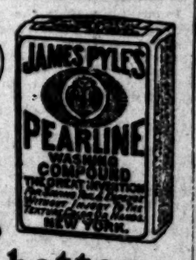

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TINSLEY'S DASTARDLY DOUBLE CRIME.

Bigamist and Swindler Murders the Poor Woman He Duped, Then Takes His Own Life.

"If I meet Mrs. Anna P. Tinsley today, I will take her life, and then mine. If we can't live together, then we will die together."

Thus wrote J. W. Tinsley bigamist and swindler, on Christmas morn. When he penned the threatening lines, he made no idle boast. There was murder—foul, cowardly, revengeful murder—in his heart on the most sacred of Christian holidays, when the very air seems to breathe: "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

But Tinsley did not meet and slaughter his victim on Christmas day, although he lay in wait for her at that time like a skulking, savage beast of prey. He watched for her again the next day and the next, like a crafty bloodthirsty spider with its net spread for the unsuspecting fly. Not until near the noon hour yesterday, however, did she unwittingly walk into his trap to be murdered in cold blood.

The only redeeming feature of the cruel and cowardly crime was that the murderer, immediately after accomplishing his revenge, turned his weapon upon himself and took his own worthless life, as he had promised he would do. That was probably the only promise which J. W. Tinsley ever faithfully kept. They died together as he had said.

The deplorable tragedy took place in front of C. E. Price & Co.'s fuel and feed yard, on Olive street, near Eighth, at about 11:35 o'clock a.m. The burly murderer, after brutally choking the weak and defenseless woman, threw her to the sidewalk, and pressing his ponderous knee on her breast deliberately placed the muzzle of a big pistol against her right eye, then pressed the trigger and sent a bullet through her brain.

As the warm blood of the unfortunate woman spattered his hands and face, he turned his smoking revolver upon himself, planted a bullet in the center of his forehead and fell a corpse beside the body of his dying victim.

Mrs. Tinsley, although fatally wounded, gave one agonizing cry after being shot. She also spoke several words incoherently and gasped convulsively for breath for some minutes afterward. She was lifted into the police patrol wagon and hurriedly started for the Receiving Hospital, but life was extinct before the journey was completed.

By order of the Coroner, the murdered woman's body was taken to Garrett & Co.'s morgue, while that of the suicide and murderer was taken charge of by undertakers Booth & Boylson.

TINSLEY'S VICTIM.

The woman whom Tinsley murdered was his wife in name only. She was not aware when she married him, less than a year ago, that he had a lawful wife living at that time, but who has since been divorced from him. She did not learn that she was married to a bigamist until after he had robbed and wronged her in various ways. Then she instituted an action to have her unlawful marriage legally annulled. It was owing to this suit and the exposure of his infamy, incident thereto, that the unprincipled scoundrel resorted to the reddest of crimes. His motive is best told in his own written words, which were found on his person after death.

The first persons at the scene of the tragedy were unable to identify the victims. But when the Coroner searched the murderer's pockets he found a note which cleared up the mystery.

The poor handwriting and bad spelling showed the writer to be a coarse and illiterate person. The note, or rather, series of notes, quoted verbatim et literatim, reads as follow::

MOTIVE FOR THE CRIME.

"Christmas Morn, 1900.

"To whom this may concern:

"If I meet Mrs. Anna P. Tinsley today, I wil take her life and then mine. If wee cant live together then we will die together If all this ocurs wil some one pleas notify Mrs. J. D. Clark, Diamond City, Montana. the watch, chain & charm I have on belongs to Miss Carrie Harrington, North Ontario, Cal. Will some one send it to her by express. Never let my body go inside of a Methodist church, South. I have little money; dig a hole, role a blanket around me like a siox Chief and plant me, for that is good enough for any christian.'

To this was added the following postscript:

"9, 21—a.m., Christmas morn. Mrs. Tinsley has said a greate deal publicly & through the pres in fact too much. I have nothing to say about our difficulties. The lord must be the gudge who is rite or who is rong. In the Herald of 22d was an article that painted me very black, and hense the cause of this tragedy that newspaper article, oh how unjust; such articles is enough to unsettle a mans mind. I dont care to live now, but the perputrater must go first, then I am willing to follow.

"J. W. TINSLEY."

NO FEARS OF HELL.

"Dec. 27.—At the Walton house, 609 East Second st., room 19, you will find my baggage and clothes. I expect to meet Mrs. T at the M. E. church south tomorrow, and then I will do the work. I hope there is no one that will say I am crazy for my mind is as clear as it ever was. I am only a little forgetful. I am sound on religion. I have no fears of Hell or Hopes of heaven. I hold no malis against aney one. I request that Britton Clark and Lee act as Paul Barere.s, assisted by Lewey the Light. These people are citizens of Los Angeles, Cal., and can be found a most aney day in central park. I would like to be buried by the side of anna P. Tinsley, but I suppose my wishes wil never be gratified. I am 58 years old the 12th of April next."

DUPED TO MARRY HIM.

Mrs. Tinsley, unlike her brutish, unlawful husband, was a refined, delicate woman of trustful disposition and southern birth. She was about 35 years of age and a spinster when she first met Tinsley and was duped into an unlawful marriage with him. Her maiden name was Anna Pittman, her family being a well-connected one in the South. She had no living relatives nearer than first cousins, several of whom are ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in Tennessee She was a native of that State and was a music teacher by profession, having diplomas from conservatories of music in Cincinnati and Chicago. Her earnings as a music teacher she had invested in a home at Jackson, Tenn. It was her hope to spend her declining days there, but fate willed that she should meet J. W. Tinsley at Eureka Springs, Ark., and be dragged into his net.

Tinsley represented himself as a Montana mining man and capitalist when he met Miss Pittman. She believed his protestations of love and fairy tales of wealth when he laid siege to her heart, and became his bride, January 2 1900.

She had $400 or $500 in bank at Van Buren, Ark., at the time of her marriage. Tinsley induced her to draw this money and start with him on a wedding trip to California, explaining that his funds were not available for traveling expenses just then, but would come in handy later on. Mrs. Tinsley was in delicate health, and it was for that reason that her spouse urged her to come with him to California. They arrived here January 7 and remained till June 25, she footing the bills out of her own meager dowry, Tinsley's princely fortune still being held in reserve, as he unblushingly represented to her. When her few hundred dollars began to run low he persuaded her to sacrifice her home at Jackson, Tenn. which was worth $2500, for $1800. With so much money in hand he induced her to buy him a diamond ring and diamond studs of a local jeweler for $400. His wardrobe was also replenished as became a Montana mining magnate In short, Tinsley waxed fat on his wife's money and California climate, while she continued to decline in health.

ROBBED AND DESERTED.

On June 25 the couple left for Mineral Springs, Tex., for the benefit of Mrs. Tinsley's health, but she still continued to decline. Next they went to Excelsior Springs, Mo., where he left her on September 6, ostensibly to go to Montana to close out his business, after which, he said, he would return to her and devote his fortune, which he estimated at $75,000 or $100,000, to the restoration of her health. Before he started West, he succeeded in getting from her $700, which was the bulk of what she had left from the sale of her house.

All this time, Mrs. Tinsley had trusted her husband. He was kind to her and made a great show of affection. She was greatly surprised, therefore, when she received a letter from him, shortly after his departure, not dated from Montana, but from Los Angeles, confessing that he had deceived her and that he was not wealthy as he had represented himself to be. He told her that as she was sickly and unable to earn a living for him and herself, it was better for them to live apart.

SUSPECTED POISONING.

Immediately upon the receipt of the letter, Mrs. Tinsley started for Los Angeles, arriving here September 20. But one day before her arrival, Tinsley started East. She tried to locate him through the police and other channels, but failed. She was almost penniless and on the verge of despair over the base manner in which she had been deceived and deserted. But strange to say, her health began to improve immediately after her husband had left her. After thinking the matter over, she came to the conclusion that Tinsley had attempted to get rid of her by slow poison, in order to get hold of all her money. She also learned that upon his return to this city without her he announced to her acquaintances that she was dead.

"I believe that he expected me to be dead," she said a few days ago, "when he told that story, for I am convinced now that he had been feeding me poison."

BATTLING WITH FATE.

Finding herself in need and feeling her strength returning, she bravely set about battling with fate by resuming her occupation as a music teacher. While struggling along in this manner she accidentally met Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church South, to whom she confided her misfortunes. The reverend gentleman immediately interested himself in her case, and helped her to secure a class of pupils in music, his own young son being one of the number.

She was getting along nicely until about six weeks ago, when she received a telegram from Tinsley, dated at Monett, Mo., asking whether she would receive him if he should return to her. She, thinking that she might recover some of her money if he should come back, and acting on the advice of friends, wired him to come.

EVIDENCE OF BIGAMY.

But before he arrived, she learned that he was married in Livingston county, Mont., in 1869, and had a wife, eight children and eleven grandchildren living at Townsend, Mont., and vicinity, at the time of his marriage to her. She therefore declined to have anything further to do with him when he arrived here on November 3, but immediately took steps to have her unlawful marriage with him annulled. She refused to see him or let him know where she lodged, but he traced her to Trinity Church, where she was giving the pastor's son a music lesson. She had one brief interview with him in the presence of Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker, as she was afraid to meet him alone. At this interview she told him that she would have him arrested unless he returned her money. He told her that he had nothing left, except $500, which was deposited in a bank at Eureka Springs, Ark.

After Mrs. Tinsley's attorney, Nathan Newby, Esq., got after the fellow, he finally consented to return part of the money, giving her a check for $325 on the Los Angeles National Bank, subject to a draft on the bank in Arkansas. But when the check was forwarded for collection, it was found that Tinsley had already withdrawn his money by telegraph. Meantime he had disappeared from here, but it subsequently developed that he was picking oranges at North Ontario, where he opened a fresh bank account.

COMPELLED TO DISGORGE.

On December 18, Tinsley reappeared in this city, and went to the California Hospital, where he placed himself under the treatment of Dr. M. L. Moore for some slight disorder. Learning that he was at the hospital, Mr. Newby got service upon him in the suit for annulment of marriage, and also had him placed under arrest for obtaining money by false pretenses. This brought Tinsley to time, and he disgorged all the money he had in the bank, or on his person, except enough to pay his bill at the hospital, and sufficient to live on for a few days, on condition that the criminal action against him would not be pressed.

DOGGING HER STEPS.

Tinsley left the hospital last Saturday, and immediately began to dog the steps of Mrs. Tinsley, in order to effect a reconciliation with her and presumably to get back the money he had been forced to disgorge.

Mrs. Tinsley was living with a family named Heath, on the first floor of the Crocker Block, in the rear, No. 214 South Broadway. Tinsley discovered her whereabouts and endeavored to get an interview by representing that he was a man named Ross, who was desirous of securing the services of a music teacher for his children. He was denied admission, however. Then he rented a room in the Crocker House, overlooking the apartments of Mrs. Tinsley where he could watch her. When the landlady was apprised of his identity, she put him out.

WATCHING FOR HIS PREY.

On Christmas morning Tinsley appeared in the vicinity of Trinity Church on Grand avenue, between Eighth and Ninth streets, and tried to rent a room for a few days. Finally he applied at the residence of Mrs. James E. Stephenson, No. 840 South Grand avenue, nearly opposite the church, who had vacant rooms to let. He said he merely wanted a room to sit in from which he could watch the church, as he was looking for a man with whom he had business, but whose address he had lost. He knew him to be an attendant of that church, and expected to be able to locate him there.

Nearly all day long Tinsley sat in the vacant room watching for his victim, but she did not come to the church. He returned to his post again on Wednesday, but the landlady became suspicious of his actions and ordered him to vacate.

Yesterday morning Tinsley returned again to the Stephenson cottage and wanted to sit in the vacant room, but Mrs. Stephenson would not permit him to do so. Then he went to a livery stable near by and stood in the door. He loitered about all the morning watching the church, and once tiptoed into the alleyway leading to the back part of the church, where Mrs. Tinsley was at that moment giving a piano lesson to the pastor's son.

WELL-FOUNDED FEARS.

Doubtless it was his intention to enter the church and murder the woman there, so as to make his crime all the more dramatic, but the door was locked from the inside, as Mrs. Tinsley always took that precaution after she learned of his reappearance in the city. She was mortally afraid of him, saying only a few days ago to Mr. Knickerbocker:

"I know that he will kill me like a rabbit, if he gets a chance."

Her fears were only too well founded, although her friends tried to assure her that they believed that he lacked the courage to do such a thing.

After waiting till about 11:30 o'clock the doomed woman left the church and started north on Grand avenue. Tinsley was at her side before she was aware of his presence in the neighborhood. He walked with her to the corner, where they turned east on Eighth street. What conversation passed between them nobody knows, as the streets were practically deserted at the time, and nobody paid any particular attention to the couple.

BLOODY DEED ACCOMPLISHED.

When they neared Olive street, Tinsley either dragged her into the alleyway in the rear of a building occupied by a saloon, meat market and grocery, in order to murder her there, or else the woman ran in there to escape from him. No one saw them enter, but several persons saw them emerge, the woman running and screaming at the top of her voice. She was closely pursued by the man, who caught her as she reached the curb. With his hands at her throat he shoved her toward the fence at the inside of the walk. She fell at the corner of the gate to Price's fuel and feed yard. He pounced upon her, and pressing his knee upon her chest and holding her by the throat with his left hand, he placed his revolver, a long-barreled Smith & Wesson 38, at her head and fired. She wore spectacles, and the bullet smashing the glass over her right eye, entered at the upper edge of the eye and passed clear through her head.

Tinsley, partly rising, placed the yet smoking revolver to his own head, fired, and fell forward on his face dead. The ball entered almost in the center of his forehead and did its work well.

Mrs. Tinsley, as already stated, died on the way to the Receiving Hospital.

STORIES OF EYEWITNESSES.

At least three persons saw Tinsley shoot his wife and himself. The most important witness was W. A. Duckworth, a motorman of the Traction Company, who was standing at the northwest corner of Eighth and Olive streets, waiting for a car.

"The first thing that attracted my attention," said Duckworth, "was a woman's screams. I looked across the street and saw a woman come running out of the alley in the rear of the saloon, closely pursued by a man. She was screaming and he had a revolver in his hand. She stumbled as she reached the curb and he grabbed her by the throat and choked her. He also seemed to give her a shove and she fell across the sidewalk. He went down on top of her, and placing his knee on her breast he shot her in the head, then he partly rose and shot himself.

"When I first saw them I started across the street to protect the woman, but the man saw me, and his revolver, which was resting across his left arm, was pointed directly at me. I don't know whether he aimed at me intentionally or not, in order to keep me from interfering, but when I saw the revolver, I stopped. I was unarmed, and knew I had no chance with a big man like him armed with a gun. I know what it means to go against a gun, as I carry the scar inflicted by one on a former occasion when I tried to act the role of peacemaker. I tried to stop a quarrel between two of my friends. One of them had a revolver in his hand and it went off. I received the ball in the hip. Since then I am a little timid about interfering in trouble when guns are in evidence and I have none. That is my excuse for not doing more to save the unfortunate woman. Besides, it all happened so quickly that I could not have prevented the tragedy if I had tried harder than I did."

An electric light lineman named Stewart, who was at work on a pole on the opposite side of Olive street, had a birdseye view of the shooting. His story coincides with that of Duckworth.

Miss Brigance, who lives at No. 411 West Eighth street, almost opposite the scene of the tragedy, said she was upstairs when she heard screams and the barking of dogs. She thought probably a woman or child had been attacked by dogs, and ran downstairs to the front of the house to see the cause of the disturbance. Just as she reached the door she saw a man choking a woman, and then heard two shots in rapid succession. She was so excited that she could not say positively whether the woman was standing or lying down when she was shot, but was of the impression that the first shot was fired before the woman fell.

Be the circumstances of the shooting what they may, Tinsley fulfilled the purpose which he formed on Christmas morning, although not so promptly as he had planned.

He was right when he surmised that he would not be buried by the side of Anna P. Tinsley. His wish that his body may not go into a Methodist Church South, will be respected, as the pastor of that church has no desire to officiate at the obsequies over the remains of a man who robbed and murdered one of his parishioners.

Mrs. Tinsley is described by her friends as having been a very highly-cultured Christian lady. She was of prepossessing appearance and was gifted in many ways.

Tinsley was a very large man and fond of showy dress, and posing for photographs, of which a large number were found among Mrs. Tinsley's effects.

LEWIS DECLINES.

The men whom he suggested as pall-bearers are hangers-on around Central Park, where the Socialist orators hold forth. It seems that Tinsley was a frequenter of the place and knew the gang.

"Lewis the Light," who has been named as one of the pall-bearers, declines the honor. He came promptly forth with a letter to the press, stating "Lewis the Light, having read that J. W. Tinsley desired the help of Lewis to cover up his appalling crime, Lewis positively refuses to take part in any such damnable and deadly depravity. Lewis has no sympathy with suicide or murder."

The Coroner will hold an inquest over the bodies of the victims of the tragedy at 10 o'clock this morning.

Public Administrator Kellogg has taken charge of the scanty effects of the dead couple.

J. W. TINSLEY AND MRS. ANNA P. TINSLEY.

[From a photograph of the bigamist, murderer and self-slayer, and his victim, made in Texas six months ago.]

MAGNETIC SEPARATORS.

Beginning to be Used for Sifting out of Gold—New Machine Which Removes all Magnetite.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TIMES.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—It would be difficult to say how many magnetic separators are invented every year. For a long time these inventions were designed almost altogether for the sifting out of iron, but of late the separation of gold seems to have appealed more strongly to their designers. The value of a successful device for this purpose would be almost inconceivable. For instance in one single mine, where the output may have never quite paid expenses, the profits might be run up to several million dollars annually. Placer sands and beach sands might be made to yield from two to five times as much gold per ton as has ever been obtained from them. In the latest apparatus of this kind the magnetic iron (known as "magnetite,") is removed from the gold-bearing sand as a preliminary to separating the gold. Ordinarily, the sand poured with water through a long trough, called a "sluice box," is separated by gravity from the gold, which sinks to the bottom of the trough by its greater weight, and being caught in crosswise slots, is afterward removed. The chief hindrance in the process is the magnetite, which being nearly as heavy as the gold, collects in the slots, or riffles, and chokes them up. The difficulty hitherto has been partly in inability to take out all the magnetite, and to handle wet sand. In the new machine, not only is every particle of the magnetite removed from the sand, but wet sand is worked under water. In fact, moist or soaking wet sand is handled as easily as dry sand. The machine is of small size and great simplicity of operation. It can stand on a small table, and though it can be operated by hand with a crank, an electric motor usually furnishes the trifling power required. The appartus consists of a copper drum about as big as a good sized toy drum, inside of which is a powerful electro-magnet. The core of the magnet consists of a bunch of iron plates with fluted edges on the pole face on one end, as well as within the drum. The fluted edges approach close to the inside surface of the copper drum. Surmounting the machine is a hopper into which the sand is poured. This little machine is claimed to be able to handle 110 tons of sand in a day, sifting out every particle of magnetite from that quantity of the raw material. As the sand is poured into the hopper it falls through it and against the side of the revolving drum. The magnets inside the drum draw out every particle of the magnetic iron from the sand and hold it tightly against the outside of the drum, while the sand—that is to say, the silicious particles and dirt—drops straight down into a receptacle beneath the table. The particles of iron, while magnetically held against the drum, are moved downward by it over the wavy lines of force of the fluted magnet face and briskly shaken to and fro so as to detach all foreign matter. All the iron (magnetite) is thrown into one box, and the sand and other non-magnetic material into another. The magnetite once removed, the separation of the gold from the sand becomes easy. The iron removed from the sand in this manner is so pure that it may possibly take the place of hematite iron ores, which at present are imported from Spain for making the best quality of steel.

Not Worried.

[Cleveland Plain Dealer:] "Aren't you worried a little over your daughter's mannishness?"

"Not a bit of it. I saw her try to throw a stone at a dog yesterday."

Reducing Things.

[Somerville Journal:] "Well," said the tramp, as he cleaned off the clothesline by moonlight, "I never thought when I was young that I should ever be reduced to taking in washing."

OLD SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS LAST SESSION.

PARLIAMENTARY HINT TAKEN BY THE NEW BOARD.

Clearing the Table for Newcomers—Ungraded School for Sentous-street Building—Many Teachers Transferred and Sundry Matters Disposed Of.

The old City Board of Education held its last regular meeting last night. Present, Davis, Hendricks, Jones, Kurtz, Mossin, Wincup and Chambers. The eight newly-elected members of the board were also present, taking an object lesson in the manner of disposing of business before the board.

Prior to the opening of the public session an executive session was held, into which the new members were invited.

On the first Monday in January the old and the new boards will meet. The former will approve the minutes of last night's meeting and turn the business over to their successors.

UNGRADED SCHOOL.

The first item of business brought before the board was of much importance to the school system of the city. It was embodied in the report of the Building Superintendent, calling for the removal of a partition between rooms 11 and 12 in the Sentous-street school, and the statement from the City Superintendent that it was for the purpose of opening an ungraded school in the Sentous-street building. For several years the superintendent has been trying to accomplish his desire in this direction, and he was greatly pleased last night that the removal of the said partition was authorized in order that a room sufficiently large could be had. It is designed that children who have been deprived of school privileges, and are too old to associate with the children of the grade where they belong, shall be placed in this ungraded school under a skillful teacher until they catch up with the grade. Pupils who may be up with their grade, except in some certain study, and are thus deprived of advancement, will also be placed in this school until they are enabled to take their place in the proper grade. The plan is in vogue in many cities, and the superintendent has been enthusiastic in his advocacy of its adoption in Los Angeles. It will no doubt be adopted in other of the larger schools as rapidly as rooms sufficiently large can be secured.

The Finance Committee recommended the payment of sundry bills amounting to $3323, and it was so ordered.

The Building Committee made a report recommending compliance or non-compliance in an almost endless number of calls for minor repairs to school buildings, furniture, etc., which were, as a rule, adopted.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Committee, subscriptions were ordered renewed for periodicals for use of teachers, same as last year.

MOVEMENTS OF TEACHERS.

The report of the Teachers' Committee was adopted. It recommended that the resignations of Elizabeth R. Carr, Una T. Adams, Hattie Taylor and May Hartley be accepted; that leave of absence be granted to Grace M. Barnes from January 14 to April 8, 1901; that Annie M. Junkin be transferred from the Pico Heights school, and assigned as kindergarten director at Sentous-street school; that Louise A. Torrey be transferred from Alpine-street school and assigned as director of kindergarten at Pico Heights school; that Amy F. Cocke be assigned as kindergarten assistant in New Macy-street school; that Sadie H. Goodale be transferred from Sentous-street school to Alpine-street school as kindergarten assistant; that Mary Layne be assigned as kindergarten assistant at Sentous-street school; that Edna F. Reynolds be assigned as kindergarten assistant in Custer-street school; that Emily F. Johnson be assigned to first grade in Hayes-street school; that Melvania Jones be assigned to sixth grade in Sentous-street school; that Saidee Benson be assigned to fifth grade in Ann-street school; that May Allin be assigned to fifth grade and Adelaide Blanchard to sixth grade in Rosedale school; that Anna Livingood be elected as substitute teacher for primary and grammar grades, and Pauline Curran in the kindergarten department; that Martha Arnold, Kate R. Hall, Anna Williamson, Katharine Senter, Melvania Jones, Jessie Rubottom, Alice Freeman, Julia K. Holmes, Daisy Graham, Martha Bohan and Ada Mae Brooks be transferred from substitute to regular lists of teachers; that Burt O. Kinney be elected as head of department of history, civics and economics in the High School, to begin work February 11.

Janitors will hereafter receive $2.50 per month, extra pay, in all buildings where an office is maintained for any special teacher. This was adopted upon recommendation of the Janitors' Committee.

BIDS FOR MATERIAL.

The Distribution Committee asked that bids be called for to supply $500 worth of cardboard Sloyd material, being the quantity supposed to be necessary to run to the end of the school year. Sundry other supplies asked for by the same committee were ordered purchased.

A special committee to whom was referred the matter of formulating a plan for keeping a record of all supplies furnished to schools, reported favorably of the plan, but as additional help would be necessary to carry it into effect, they thought its importance did not justify the outlay at the present time. The report was adopted.

A NEW MANAGER.

The special committee to whom the matter was referred, reported in favor of paying a salary of $10 per month to a manager for the lecture course maintained at the Macy-street school. A free lecture is furnished once a week to this school and its patrons, and the report of the committee was adopted.

Principal Phillips of the Cambria-street school reported that the building had inadequate fire protection by reason of the nearest fire plug being three blocks distant. At a recent fire near the school, the fire company had 1000 feet of hose, and that was not sufficient to reach the burning building. The matter was referred to the Building Committee, with instructions to confer with the City Council.

Secretary Averill reported $125.50 received for tuition from outside pupils.

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CAPITAN GEMS.

Stones Found Near New Mexican Camp Declared to Closely Resemble Diamonds.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M.]

ALAMO GORDO (N. M.,) Dec. 27.—A prominent railway officil here today received a box of fifty gems, closely resembling and alleged to be diamonds found near Capitan, the coal camp on the line of the El Paso and Northwestern Railway Company, eighty miles north of this place.

The stones were found by J. J. Blow, formerly associated with the De Beers Consolidated Company at Kimberley, South Africa, who has been secretly investigating the field for the past month, and a letter from him accompanying the shipments states that they are either diamonds or something so closely resembling the gem that they deceive him. They are said to stand a very crude test. The gems will be sent away for final analysis.

SOUTHERN ORANGES IN THE WINTER MONTHS.

DEVICES TO PROTECT THE FLORIDA GROVES FROM COLD.

Contrivances That are Quickly Adjusted—Various Forms of Houses That are also Used—Arrangements for Furnishing Heat.

[Jacksonville (Fla.,) Correspondence New York Sun:] Florida orange trees are not rolled up in blankets every night, but they are cared for about as effectually. The growers have not forgotten February a year ago when the mercury dropped from fifty-five degrees to twenty degrees and miles of trees covered with green foliage and heavy with fruit turned into black trunks and branches with most of the leaves and fruit littering the ground. On the day before the blizzard a man near De Land had an offer of $80,000 for his grove with the fruit on the branches, but he refused it. A day after he would have sold it for $1000 if he could have found a buyer.

This is the reason why one who goes through the orchard district sees many funny things in the groves. By the side of each tree in some of the groves, two or three boxes are lying on the ground. If the weather man says that a cold snap is coming, one side of each box is taken off, they are dragged around the tree and when the sides are put back the trunk and branches are completely hidden. In the bottom of the box a small hole is cut which gives one the idea of a home-made dog house. This is for inserting the lamp or other warming apparatus in case it is needed.

The owner's next-door neighbor may have what looks like a sail wrapped around a mast with an elbow near the top standing beside each of his trees. When the weather is sunny and the temperature is normal, he pays no attention to the arrangement, but if the weather man says there is danger of a frost, the orange grower hustles along the rows of trees, untying the cords which fasten the cloth to the pole. Then he waits for more news and if he decides that a frost is coming, he summons all the hands and the cloth is drawn around the tree. The crook in the mast extends to a point over the top. As a result the branches are completely covered and the tree looks like one of the patent lawn tents so popular in the summer, only it is made of cheap muslin instead of pretty striped canvas. This muslin is covered with a mixture of paraffin or some other substance which is mildew and rainproof, so that it will stand the weather. It is attached by rings to framework in the shape of a hoop which encircles the tree, and to close the tree, as the growers say, means to pull the cloth around the hoop by the rings.

Fast time is made in closing up the trees and there is as much rivalry about it as among village hose companies in going to a fire. Some tents are called half-minute tents, as only thirty seconds are required to loosen the cords, pull the cloth around the sides and tops and fasten it ready for the frost.

At another orchard the visitor may see rows of trees, big and little, with wooden framework on each side supporting a roof made of boards. A closer view shows folds of cloth between the framework and the roof. By pulling two or three cords the cloth falls to the ground around the framework and a few hundred feet away the rows of trees look like little shanties such as railroad men use, except that they have no windows and no stovepipe projecting from the side. The shed tents are to cover the smaller and more tender trees.

Another curious device looks like a candle snuffer on a large scale. A pole is planted at the side of the tree. From the top is a sort of swinging derrick made of heavy wire. Suspended from the derrick by a pulley is the tree cover, which in ordinary weather is wrapped in folds. It is raised and lowered like an arc lamp in a city street and by pulling a string the folds are loosened and the covering drops over the top and sides to the ground. When the danger is past it is hoisted into position as the trimmer hoists the lamp upon the pole and the cloth again gathered into folds, in shape it resembles the tent affair already referred to.

But many of the groves live in regular houses from autumn until spring. Near Titusville is a plantation of thirty-seven acres all under one roof, if it can be called a roof. Around the outside is erected a framework for supporting the roof. The roof itself is really a shutter on a huge scale divided into slats each of which is from six to eight inches wide about ten feet in length. The slats work like ordinary slats. In fair weather they are as well as the sides of the that the air can circulate from the trees receive the sunshine soon as the weather predicts cate frost, men with long through the grove and turn from a vertical to a horizontal in other words close the shutters they close the sides of the the grove is completely housed.

A number of Maine Yankees interested in raising oranges eral years and some of them caught in the big freeze of Febru They have also taken up the idea in different ways. One his orchard surrounded by a pine boards. At the top, rows extend from side to side to fastened strips of cotton cloth with some combination to weatherproof. When he covers the trees, the strips along the wires from one side other by poles and the when can be closed in two hours. form of shed is put up and remains there until is really a greenhouse on a as the top is composed window panes which can open in pleasant weather before frost comes. This expensive affair, however, in only one or two places.

But the orchard men do simply upon sheds, tents for warmth. Some of the equipped with what are manders, which are made rings overlapping one grate forms the bottom filled with wood or coke them will warm the air keep an acre of trees from bitten. They range all the two to six feet in height taken apart in a few moved wherever needed.

Stoves of all kinds from cooking stove to an arrangement of sheet iron a few inches also used in extremely cold while Florida has become principal markets in the U for oil stoves. When the gets below 20 degrees, hand lamp placed in one will keep the air warm protect the tree and burn to eighteen hours without according to the size of the Heat is also conveyed by pipe through the larger sheds so much fire is needed. salamanders are put up in and piping run between the trees, being wired to the ports.

At conventions of the fruit the question of the best way ing up the trees arouses as cussion as the best brand of The growers are divided two men and the tent men. The the protection shown that can be grown if the groves are cared for in spite of the blizzards which recently habit of sweeping over the eral companies have organized ufacture sheds and tents kinds and one of them has "Freeze or no freeze, we can anges."

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PHOENIX (Ariz.) Dec. 24.—[Respondence.] A man ns, who has been doing work on the mines in White tains owned by I. M. Collin rely bitten by a wild cat. T been visiting the camp at had always gotten out of th e a gun could be used. One while the men were at supp peared, and walking deliber Adams, bit him through the Adams was eating with his promptly ran it into the cat' him.

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The Phoenix office of the Weather Bureau is to be raised in importance to a forecast station and to it will be gathered all the meteorological data of the Southwest.

B. A. Fowler, late delegate from Salt River Valley to the National Irrigation Congress, has returned from Washington, where, with others, he has been laboring with the President on the question of water storage and forest reserves. George H. Maxwell and G. W. Kretsinger, advocates of government aid, have outlined a project for the relief of the valley, and will be in Phoenix early in the new year. They will probably address a mass meeting of landowners on the plan outlined some time in January. The committee on Water Storage has decided to raise by subscription $1500 to defray the expenses of committeemen to be sent to Washington to aid Mr. Fowler in his work there. Mr. Fowler stated that the government had probably already taken charge of the proposed dam site. J. T. Priest was elected vice-president of the committee in the absence of Mr. Fowler, who, a day or two later, returned to Washington.

A bill has been introduced in the Senate authorizing the Navajo and Moqui Indians to lease mineral lands on a royalty basis. This applies to reservations bought or created for these tribes since June, 1883, and provides that only Indian labor be employed in the development of the ground leased. The term of lease is limited to twenty-five years.

The Phoenix Library Association, having within about a year, accumulated 2000 volumes, is now desirous of turning the library over to the city. It is proposed to meet the expenses of the library by a small tax levy. The library is being moved to the old quarters of the Territorial library in the City Hall.

Early in February 160 members of the Mystic Shrine will leave Chicago for a visit to Honolulu. The party has accepted an invitation from the Phoenix lodge to visit this city en route. An effort is also to be made to have the President pass this way.

Oscar Jones left Phoenix for San Bernardino a few days ago in response to a telegram from that place that he had been employed for the winter to pitch in the San Bernardino baseball team.

It has been decided to form a local organization of the Spanish-American war veterans, of which there are about fifty in Phoenix.

James Bark, A. C. McQueen and Burt Mossman have been appointed by the Governor as delegates to the National Live Stock Association convention, which will meet at Salt Lake City January 15.

A movement is on foot to secure a game of football between the Columbia College team and the Normal School eleven, the Arizona champions.

The boundary line between Arizona and Utah is soon to be definitely settled by the government. The contract for the survey has been let and work has been begun.

A late marriage is that of Atho S. Hinton and Mary McConey, both of Los Angeles.

A. J. McClatchie of the experimental station states that during the past season all date trees of sufficient age have borne and matured a good crop of dates. Two trees bore 500 pounds, which are being sold at 25 cents per pound.

One of the most prominent mining men in the Territory, and one who figured most conspicuously in the late Cobre Grande litigation recently, won $7500 at roulette at a local gambling resort. His winnings were probably the largest ever made at one game in Arizona. He is a winner in all things.

The impression that Adams street is to be to Washington street what Broadway in Los Angeles is to Spring street, has been strengthened of late. The postoffice is to be moved January 1 to the corner of Adams and First avenue, a location too remote to suit the majority of the local residents, yet little more so than the present situation of the office. The new quarters will be materially more convenient for the employés, as well as larger. The new lease is for five years. The Daily Republican has had its office on Adams street for several years. The Gazette will be moved within a few days to new quarters in the O'Neill Block on Adams, near Second avenue, and is said to have for a near neighbor the Evening Enterprise.

A one-third interest in the Phoenix Light and Fuel Company, the corporation controlling the electric and gas-lighting service of the city, has been sold by Atty.-Gen. C. F. Ainsworth to President E. B. Gage of the Phoenix National Bank.

There is a probability that the large Faroot automobile brought to Arizona for the Flagstaff-Grand Cañon road, will be employed during the winter between Hot Springs Junction on the Santa Fé, Prescott and Phoenix Railway, and the Castle Creek Hot Springs, a distance of twenty-six miles.

President Murphy of the Santa Fé, Prescott and Phoenix Railway, presented a Christmas turkey to each of the married employés of the road.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received yesterday from Senator Perkins inclosing a letter from Secretary of the Navy Long, in which he stated that on the recommendations of the Chamber of Commerce and other commercial bodies of Southern California, he had requested the President to name one of the new battleships "California."

The committees from commercial organizations having in charge the proposed reception to the president of the Southern Pacific, will meet at the chamber this morning at 10 o'clock to perfect their plans.

One case of literature and three cases of fruit were sent yesterday to the State Board of Trade to replenish the Los Angeles county exhibit.

EVENTS IN SOCIETY.

D.I.X. Sorority.

The D. I. X. promenade dance to be given tonight at Kramer's promises to be among the most enjoyable of the good times given by the younger social set this winter. The members of this sorority know so well how to entertain that it is safe to predict that this evening's gathering will be a repetition of former successes. The hall is to be decorated in the red and green that seems to belong especially to the holiday season. Lengths of smilax, with here and there a Christmas bell attached, will be caught in loops against the wall, with red bows, and wall baskets will display the flaming beauties of the poinsettia with which they are to be lader.. A bunch of Christmas bells is to hang from the center of the dome. An orchestra will occupy the musicians' stand, and a stringed band will be stationed in the balcony where during the evening they will each contribute to the entertainment of the guests. The lecture-room on the lower floor is to be transformed into a Turkish coffee-room, the sorority color, purple, being made prominent, the pennant occupying a position of honor. Besides the members of the sorority, a large number are expected to be present.

Christmas Celebration.

P. E. O., a woman's fraternity, gave a pleasant juvenile party and Christmas tree at the home of the Misses Ida and Edith Morrison, No. 928 West Thirty-third street, on Christmas night. The house was elaborately decorated. In the parlors and drawing-room smilax and red tissue paper ribbons were suspended from the chandeliers to the corners of the ceiling. The library was in pepper branches and red roses, and the dressing-rooms were in pink and white roses.

Prof. E. R. Shrader acted as master of ceremonies, and W. A. Whittington took the part of Santa Claus. A literary and musical programme was rendered, in which Alfred Gwynn, dressed as little Lord Fauntleroy, made a hit. Other features were the recitations of Cassius Smith and Miss Ella Edmiston.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

A tally-ho party which will visit the Ostrich Farm, Baldwin's ranch, San Gabriel Mission and other places of interest today comprises Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Carm, Mr. and Mrs. Lezinsky, Mrs. Flagg, Messrs Wilburn and Flagg.

Miss E. A. Packard of the Oakland High School, well known in Los Angeles as a former principal of the High School here, is spending her vacation with her brother C. G. Packard, No. 5562 Pasadena avenue.

Miss Estelle Pauline King has gone East, expecting to spend the winter with relatives in Washington, D. C.

The D. I. X. Sorority met with Blanche Donnell at her home in Garvanza Wednesday afternoon and initiated two pledged members, Leola Allen and Reba Cole. Others present were Adele Brodtbeck, Elsie Kimble, Pauline Brotts, Cynthia Fay, Edith Campbell, Inez Moore, Elsie Laux, Ruby and May Kimble, Juliette Phelps, Belle Coulter. Marie Garagan, Ada Ford and Misses Bangley and Levi from San Diego.

A Christmas day tallyho party that visited Pasadena and vicinity included Mr. and Mrs. Cutler, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hall and daughter, H. A. Atkins and mother, Mrs. Atkins and Mrs. Baynes of Salt Lake City; the Misses Craggshead, L. R. Crawford of New York, Mr. Beeman and Mr. Webb.

Miss Florence Newman of San Bernardino and Charles Burge of this city were married Christmas evening at the home of the groom's parents, No. 427 North Bichel street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Russell entertained at dinner last evening at their home, no 966 West Sixth street, the guests of honor being Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hall.

Miss Ida E. Bowen has returned to her home on Santee street after an absence of ten weeks. She visited in San Frandisco, San José, Palo Alto and Berkeley, but spent most of the time with friends in her former home at Oakland.

MEETING OF THE N.E.A.

The Executive Committee of the National Educational Association has determined upon Detroit, Mich., as the place of the fortieth annual convention, July 8-12, 1901. Arrangements have been made with steamboat and railway lines by which special rates will be given. The department of superintendance will meet at Chicago, Ill., February 26, 27 and 28, 1901.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Carlisle, of Boston registered yesterday at the Westminster, and will remain in Southern California during the season. Mr. Carlisle is one of the owners of an extensive sash and blind factory in the Hub City.

A SECLUDED SPOT.

(He:) I'm puzzled to know what to call the new suburban town. I want to make a hit.

(She:) I'll tell you. Call it debtors' retreat.

MINERS OUT AGAIN.

Six Hundred Men on Strike Near Barnesboro, Pa.—Machines the Cause of the Trouble.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

PITTSBURGH (Pa.,) Dec. 27.—Six hundred miners of the Bakerton Coal Company's mines, near Barnesboro, on the Pennsylvania Railroad, were today reported as on strike by National Organizer Edward McKay, who visited the miners' headquarters here. The strike rises from the recent introduction of mining machines, and five mines of the company have been forced to suspend operations.

The coal company is an interest of Duncan, Spangler & Co., extensive coal operators of Central Pennsylvania, and ex-Gov. Hastings is largely interested. The miners are demanding extra remuneration for the extra labor entailed by the use of machinery.

Questions are involved in relation to the mining wage scale that are likely to cause trouble in all of the Pennsylvania fields, and which it will be imperative to adjust.

Various district organizations of the miners are now meeting to arrange the wage scales to be submitted to the national convention of the general body. Among the most important of these is that of the Hocking Valley district of Ohio, just closed at Columbus. The scale proposed by the district is regarded as a base for the settlement of the combined competitive fields.

The Hocking Valley miners decided to call for an advance in wages, without naming a definite figure or percentage, a fixed differential between pick and mining machine; the establishment and enforcement of the eight-hour day in all fields; the establishment and enforcement of the run-of-mine system in all fields.

MURDER WILL COME OUT.

Inquest Over Death of Millionaire Richardson Expected to Reveal the Guilty Man.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

ST. JOSEPH (Mo.,) Dec. 27.—The Prosecuting Attorney believes he will be able to develop all the important features of the sensational murder of the millionaire merchant, Frank Richardson of Savannah, Mo., at the inquest to be resumed tomorrow. Mrs. Richardson will take the stand, and it is understood she will give testimony that will clearly show the murderer to be a very prominent resident of Savannah.

Stewart Fife, the business partner of the deceased, made a statement today showing where he was during the entire evening on the night of the murder. The funeral of the victim was held here today.

RUSSIANS STARVING.

Recent Arrivals in McHenry County, North Dakota, Badly in Need of Provisions.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

FARGO (N. D.,) Dec. 28.—The sufferings of the Russian settlers in McHenry county is great. Ello R. Ericson, the acting distributing officer of the Red Cross Society, says:

"We have thirty-three families depending on us. Quite a number are actually starving. They can get no credit till their crops next spring show a fair prospect of a yield. Some of them are very grateful for help. Most of them are snug sod houses, and are enabled to keep warm with a little fuel, but they need provisions badly."

The settlers are recent arrivals from Russia, and had no crops this year, because they arrived too late to break and seed the land they have homesteaded. Nearly all the farm families have a large number of children.

BATTLESHIP CONTRACTS.

Secretary Long Says That None Have So Far Been Awarded—Most Bids are Above the Limit.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Secretary of the Navy Long, in an interview, explained that as yet no awarding of battleship contracts have been made. He said that the statement that two contracts had gone to the Fore River Engine Company was not quite true. He had no doubt that the Fore River company would get the contracts, but it is stipulated that the company is to be incorporated first. This will be done soon.

Most of the bids for battleships, Secretary Long said, were above the price limit set by the government. The Fore River company bid inside the limit, however, and would undoubtedly get the contract after incorporating.

MORGAN'S COAL DEAL.

North American Company Passes into His Control, to Be the Joint Settling Agent.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The Times tomorrow will say:

"The North American Company, which has been one of the conspicuous financiering companies of Wall street, has passed into the control of J. P. Morgan, and is to be used by him to further the great coal deal known to the street as 'the coal trust,' of which the acquiring of the Pennsylvania road was the initial step.

"The plan is to make the North American Company the joint settling agent, which will take over and to which will be consigned the entire output of the coal properties controlled by the trust."

SANTA FE EXPANDS.

Acquisition of the Pecos Valley and Northwestern Railroad Announced at Chicago.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Announcement was made today of the acquisition by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company of the Pecos Valley and Northwestern, which runs from Amarillo, Tex., where it connects with the Santa Fé system, to Pecos City, a distance of 372 miles. The price the Santa Fé paid for the property could not be ascertained, but it is understood that payment will be made in cash, and general mortgage bonds.

BIG FAILURE IN MEXICO.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 27.—The failure of the well-known banking firm of Francisco Martinez Negrete & Sons of Guzdalajara, has created a sensation in this city, where the firm has for many years been identified with its business development. The liabilities are $2,235,000, and it is believed by bankers conversant with the affairs of the firm that its assets, if properly handled, will yield a surplus over all claims. The failure is due to the financial stringency.

MISS MARRIOTT DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Miss Marriott (Mrs. Alice Edgar,) the actress, is dead. She made an American tour about 1870.

GERMANY'S NAVY.

Seven Vessels Added to it and Unprecedented Activity Continues—New Market for American Wood.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The Berliner Post, summarizing Germany's naval progress this year, says that seven vessels have been launched, including two battleships, one large cruiser and four small cruisers. The paper also calls attention to the "unprecedented activity in the building of warships," six of which are now in progress of construction, including four battleships, one large cruiser, and one gunboat.

The establishment of a free harbor at Emden is expected to make it an important port for American wood. Westphalian firms have already ordered 10,000 tons of pitch pine to be sent there for shipment via the Dortmund-Ems Canal. A joint wood stock company has been accomplished in Emden to import pitch pine and other woods in large quantities.

FORCES ORGANIZING.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The vast industrial forces of Germany are organizing for a tremendous struggle with the agrarian and coal interests, according to a report to the State Department from United States Consul Schumann at Mainz. He says that the manufacturing interests of Germany surely will demand the passage of a protective tariff during the present session of the Reichstag. Three of the strongest industrial societies of Germany recently convened to organize a national council. The imperial government apparently was in sympathy with the movement, and while the efforts so far have failed they are not to be abandoned.

PLEAD IGNORANCE.

Mayor Harrison and Other Chicago Officials on the Rack—Grand Jury Split Up.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Mayor Harrison, Chief of Police Kipley and other officials were put on the rack by the grand jury today. From first to last they pleaded innocence of any knowledge of any vice or crime in Chicago. They did not know of "their own personal knowledge" that basement saloons had been open after midnight and frequently all night.

"I am always in bed at midnight," was the answer of Police Inspector Kalas, "and I don't know of any places open afetr that hour." The others entered similar pleas. They did not know of any gambling. They knew of no tribute money being paid by dives for police protection. Every prize fight was said to have been an exhibition.

The grand jury adjourned for the night, split in two factions. One faction demands the indictment of four city officials and a number of dive keepers. The other side insists there must be no indictments. They argue that conviction will not result in court should indictments be returned.

FLASHES FROM THE WIRES.

At Brookville, Pa., fire yesterday destroyed the residence of Mrs. Harriger and the mother and two daughters, aged 5 and 7, perished.

In a runaway accident at Flint, Mich., yesterday, Dr. George W. Howland was killed and G. H. Quigley, a prominent business man, fatally injured.

At St. Petersburg the Holy Synod has ordered that all the churches in its jurisdiction take up collections to help build an orthodox Russian church in New York City.

H. A. Seymour of New York filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday, individually and as a member of the former brokerage firm of Seymour, Johnson & Co., with liabilities of $688,630; assets $750,695.

The steamer reported ashore south of Miami, Fla., Wednesday night is the Homeric of Baltimore, laden with salt for Mexico. The wreckers now have her in charge and the entire cargo is being dumped into the sea.

Official statistics compiled by the New York Produce Exchange showed a marked falling off during the past season in the amount of wheat transported to New York by the Erie Canal as compared with last season's traffic.

Rt. Rev. Bishop McFaul and Vicar-General Fox of Trenton, together with clergymen from different parts of the State officiated at St. Joseph's Convent of Mercy at Bordertown, N. J., yesterday, when twelve young women professed and received the white veil.

The United States torpedo boat Ericssen sailed from Hampton Roads yesterday. She will be one of the torpedo fleet which, accompanied by the battleship Alabama, will shortly sail to join the North Atlantic squadron on its annual winter cruise in the tropics.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

A football eleven composed of members of this year's team of the university and some of the crack players who have been on former teams from the college, will play the Santa Barbara team in that city on New Year's day. The local team will be under the management of Foster C. Wright, who was captain in 1897.

The Chaw Sir, a men's boarding club of the college, has moved into its new quarters at No. 885 West Thirty-eighth street.

The University Methodist Church distributed about $40 worth of groceries and clothing to the poor in that section on Christmas day. Substantial donations were made to the Spanish Methodist Episcopal mission, and several other benevolent institutions.

There will be special watch night services at the Methodist Church on the night of the 31st inst.

Miss Cora Harpper is very ill with scarlet fever at her home on the corner of West Thirty-fifth street and Vermont avenue.

NEWMAN CLUB MEETING.

At the meeting of the Newman Club at Levy's last evening, John J. Bodkin, editor of the Tidings, read a paper on "The Press," in which he dealt with the history of newspapers, both secular and sectarian. After reviewing the history of the origin of newspapers in general, Mr. Bodkin related the inception and growth of the Catholic press. Throughout the paper was filled with quotations pertinent to the subject. It closed with an appeal to all Catholics to support the press of their church. Joseph Scott, R. M. Furlong of Pasadena and other members discussed it. The paper and the discussion were preceded by a banquet. It was decided that in place of holding the regular January meeting the club will devote its effort toward awakening interest in the lecture of Bishop Montgomery on "Christian Socialism."

FIGURES ON GRAIN CROP.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The wheat crop of 1900 is 522,229,505 bushels; area winter wheat, 30,282,564; condition of growing crop, December 1, was 91.1. The production of corn in 1900 is estimated at 2,105,102,516 bushels.

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Los Angeles, Dec. 27, 1900.

[The following quotations on sales of citrus fruits in the East yesterday have been wired exclusively to The Times, and hence it is impossible for them to be published simultaneously in any other journal. When so published, they are simply pirated from this paper.]

ORANGES IN THE EAST YESTERDAY

LARGE SALE IN NEW YORK.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Another large sale was held today, thirty cars of oranges and two of lemons. The market was a little lower; large fruit, medium and small was firm. The weather was cold and clear. Fifty cars are on the track. Extra fancy navels, large, 1.70@2.25, average 1.96; regulars, 1.65@2.10; average 2.87; fancy, large, 1.50@2.10, average 1.87; regulars, 1.30@3.15, average 2.40; half-boxes, 1.00@1.15, average 1.07; choice large, 1.50@1.90, average 1.66; regulars, 1.00@2.90, average 2.22; fancy Thompson's improved, regulars, 2.05@ 2.85, average 2.68; fancy Arizona navels, very fine quality, regulars, 3.20@3.40, average 3.37; small, 3.25; boxes, 1.70@ 2.65, average 2.03; extra fancy seedlings, regulars, 1.30@2.50, average, 2.13; small, 2.40@2.70, average 2.54; fancy regulars, 1.40@2.40, average 1.94; extra fancy Homosassas Jumbos, regulars, 2.30@2.90, average 2.53; fancy Parson Browns, regulars, 1.55@2.50, average 1.97; fancy lemons, 300s, 1.90@2.35, average 2.23; 360s, 1.90@2.20; average 2.00; choice, 300s, 1.60@2.10, average 1.83; 360s, 1.30@2.10, average 1.54. One thousand boxes of Florida oranges were sold, showing waste; brights, 1.30@2.50; average 1.90; russets, 1.50@2.60, average 1.70; 200 Nassau oranges, 1.90@2.60, average 2.42; 100 Porto Rico oranges, 1.15@1.50, average 1.26; 105 cars oranges and five of lemons sold this week, compared with 79 cars of oranges and six of lemons last week. The consuming demand has largely increased, and prices only average about a quarter lower, the fruit also showing better color and flavor. Extra fancy navels, large, 1.60 @2.60, average 2.10; regulars, 1.90@ 2.50, average 2.09; small, 2.00@2.20, average 2.07; fancy, large, 1.50@2.40, average 1.99; regular, 1.60@4.00, average 2.40; choice, large, 1.60@2.15, average 1.70; regulars, 1.60@3.05, average, 2.29; fancy seedlings, regulars, 1.40@2.70, average 2.09; small, 2.00@2.85; average 2.56; choice regular, 1.30@2.70, average 1.90; small, 2.15@2.50, average 2.36; fancy lemons, 300s, 1.60@2.35 average 2.09; 360s, 1.50@2.20 average 200. Seven thousand boxes of Sicily lemons by steamship Peconic were sold today. The market was a little easier, 360s selling about the same as 300s; few extra fancy 300s brought 2.90@2.40; fancy, 1.90@2.05; 360s, 1.55@2.00; choice 300s and 360s, 1.50 @1.75. Forty-eight thousand boxes are on route.

Boston Citrus-fruit Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Boston and vicinity have enjoyed exceptionally fine weather during the past week, and business of all kinds has been good. Large quantities of fruit have gone into consumption. Forty-four cars of California oranges and lemons have been sold here since last Friday, nearly double the offerings of the last season on the same days. The market has held up remarkably well under these heavy offerings, and at present the fruit is well cleaned up, and prospects are good for tomorrow's sale of fourteen cars. The averages for the week are as follows: Extra fancy navels, large, average, $2.18; regulars, $2.03; small, $2.29; fancy navels, large, $1.90; regulars, $2.39; small, $2.00; choice navels, large, $1.75; regulars, $2.22; small, $2.06; fancy seedlings, regulars, $2.17; small, $2.44; choice seedlings, regulars, $2.10; fancy lemons, 300s, $1.76; 360s, $1.97. Twenty-seven cars are on the track.

Citrus-fruit Shipments.

There were shipped from Southern California points on Wednesday two cars of lemons and twenty-three of oranges, making for the season, November 1 to date, 104 carloads of lemons and 2112 of oranges, a total of all citrus fruits of 2326 carloads. Adding shipments to Pacific Coast points, the gross total for the season is 2429 carloads.

Philadelphia Citrus-fruit Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Fourteen cars of California oranges, two cars of California lemons, and 2200 barrels of Jamaica oranges and 1400 boxes of Floridas were sold here this week. Owing to heavy supplies of large-sized navels, prices on those are very low. Good quality of desirable sizes are in good demand. Prices this week were as follows: Extra fancy navels, large sizes, 2.20@2.55, average 2.32; regular sizes, 2.30@2.35, average 2.32; fancy navels, large sizes, 1.90 @2.10, average 2.16; regular sizes, 2.30 @2.50, average 2.42; choice navels, 2.05@ 2.25, average 2.16; regular sizes, 2.30@ 2.50, average 2.42; extra-fancy seedlings, regular sizes, 2.15@2.35, average 2.24; fancy seedlings, regular sizes, 1.60@2.05, average 2.02; small sizes, 2.75; choice seedlings, regular sizes, 1.25@2.05, average 1.95; Jamaica oranges, average 4.84. Floridas, average 2.49. Choice California lemons, mostly in poor condition, sold at 3.00@5.25, average 3.18. Tri-weekly sales begin next week. Fifteen cars are advertised for tomorrow.

FINANCIAL.

THE BANK AND THE FARMER: Speaking on the above subject, John A. Davis, president of the First National Bank at Albany Ga., said in showing the benefit of a bank to the farmer:

"Early in the fall of 1898, a large planter of our county came to me, when cotton was very low, and said: 'I think have of my own about 2000 bales of cotton and control, as president of a guano company, 600 bales, making in all 2600 bales; I am confident that cotton will bring much better prices, and I am anxious to hold, but I owe $40,000 that I must arrange to pay promptly.' I said to him that our bank would advance to him the $40,000, and more, if necessary. The advance was made, and after several months all of the cotton was sold at 9 cents, and the result was that the planter made more than the $40,000 the entire amount of his debt. I give this as a notable case. There are many others of like character, as the bank to which I refer had out at that time more than $100,000 on cotton, and all the banks of our town made liberal advances to farmers on their cotton holdings."

COMMERCIAL.

TABLE OIL CLOTH: The extremely high prices put on this line of goods some months ago seems to have had the effect of checking the demand. To stimulate freer buying, the combine recently reduced the price 37 cents per 25-yard piece. Still trade seems to drag, so another concession of 5 per cent. on the selling price has been made to buyers of 1000 pieces or more in one lot.

SYRUPS FIRM. The markets on molasses and syrups are reported firm at all primary points. High grades are scarce and the demand good.

CURRANTS IN LONDON. On the state of the English markets on currants, the London Grocer of December 8 says: "The heavy speculative purchases of two months ago brought nearly the whole yield of Gulf and Vostizza to this country, and the result has been a heavy and continuous fall in values. Prices, however, are now so reasonable that the demand from the country has been satisfactory. As our present supply, which can only be supplemented by slight additions, will have to do duty till another crop is grown, the following figures may be of interest, showing clearances for several years, when prices were similar to those now existing:

	Crop.	Clearances Dec. 1 to Aug. 31.	
	Tons.	Tons.	Prices.
1883	114,000	25,715	32@45s
1884	130,000	26,806	28@48s
1885	115,000	18,779	28@50s
1886	130,000	19,337	28@42s
1887	127,000	19,628	30@45s

Present market prices range from 30@50s.

SALT FISH. The imports of new salt mackerel at Boston, number 31,019 bbls. for the season. In 1899 the imports were 23,943 bbls.; 1898, 21,917 bbls.; 1897, 18,147 bbls.; 1896, 30,764 bbls., and 1895, 24,396 bbls.

Regarding the salt fish situation in Boston, the Fish Bureau reports as follows: "The volume of business in fish continues small, as is expected at this season of the year, and prices, as a rule, are firm, especially in salt mackerel, salt codfish, and smoked herring. The receipts of salt mackerel the past week have been 706 barrels, of which 126 barrels were from Ireland, and the remainder from Canada. There is no change to note in prices from first hands, the Nova Scotia or Canada mackerel selling at from $13 to $14 per barrel, according to quality, and the market on Irish is firm at $14 to $14.50 per barrel. The corresponding week last year the receipts of salt mackerel were 248 barrels flat fish from Canada, which sold at $24 per barrel for extra 1s, $22 to $23 for 1s, $20 to $21 for 2s, $18 to $19 for 3s and $15 to $15.50 for early caught large 3s.

"The supply of salt codfish is light, and the weather, although clearer, is cold, and does not dry fish in the best manner. Prices for fresh cod and haddock have ruled high, and none of any account have been cured. Haddock have sold this week, ex vessel, as high as 6¼ cents per pound. Prices today are as follows: Haddock,4c to 4¼ cents per pound, large codfish, $3 to $3.25; market cod, 2½ cents; cusk, $1.15 and pollock, 2½ cents.

"Prices of cured codfish, from first hands, are as follows: Pickled Bank, large, trawl, $4.75 to $5 per qtl.; handline, $5 to $5.25; medium trawl, $3.75 to $4; handline, $4 to $4.25, dry bank, large, $5, medium, $4.75; shore large, $5 to $5.50; medium, $4; Georges, large, $6.25 to $6.50, medium, $4.25 to $4.50; hake, $2.75 to $3; haddock, $2.75 to $3; cusk, $3.75 to $4; pollock, slack salted, $3.25 to $3.50, pickled, $2.50 to $2.75."

GENERAL BUSINESS TOPICS.

BUSINESS ETHICS. Writing in the International Journal of Ethics, a St. Louis merchant says of business integrity: "It is a common belief among those who have not investigated the subject that, as business has become more aggressive and profits greatly lessened, proprietors have to a great degree ignored the golden rule—'Do unto others as you would have others do unto you,' and equalized a seven per cent. of loss in profits by great reductions in salaries, and by demanding the performance of more work on the part of the employés. This belief is erroneous, for we are today, with some few exceptions, of minor importance, paying substantially the same salaries for the same services that we did twenty-five to thirty years ago, while the purchasing power of money is two or three times greater, and the hours for work are less.

"In former years, when the average house did a small business, and when competition was not as great as it is now, there was an opportunity for deceit and disreputable methods to be to some extent temporarily successful. There were few trade papers giving quotations, and it was exceedingly difficult for a purchaser to keep thoroughly posted, which made impositions in the way of excessive prices for goods, possible. As a natural consequence there was irregularity, and customers of the same class could be charged different prices and those prices kept track of. The very large profits obtained were an invitation for deceit in defending them. The retail stores pursued the same practice; they charged what they cold get, and the favored clerk was the one who could by the smoothness of his tongue, get the most exorbitant prices. These conditions have all changed and can never prevail again. This is proved by the fact that the largest concerns and the ones most favorably situated and best organized are content to make two and a half to three and a half per cent net on sales, and from five to seven and a half per cent on their capital.

"I have heard the statement made that mercantile training engenders mercenary motives, that it makes the general aim in life of a business man mere money-getting. My experience among business men with whom I associate is a positive and absolute refutation of this statement.

"If a business of any magnitude is worth conducting, it is worth perpetuating, and it cannot be perpetuated except by the selection of the best and most efficient men obtainable to take charge of the important departments in it. These men, who are expecting at some future time to occupy still more important positions, understand full well that they must carry out the policy of the house, and if the policy of the house is honorable they must rigidly adhere to it. The young men who are employed from time to time are acute of observation and are not slow to recognize this, and they naturally emulate the example of those who are over them.

"From what I have said it may be inferred that business men are honest because it pays to be honest. Well, it does pay to be honest, and we can not gainsay the fact. Yet a business man, if he is built on the right plan, sees the eternal fitness of things, and recognizes those higher laws which he may not profess to define but nevertheless firmly believes in. His environment and training do not blunt, but on the contrary keenly sharpen his perception of right and wrong, and he must transact his business in accordance with it, in order to maintain his self-respect. He is impelled to deal correctly and to be honest, solely because it is right to do so, which from my point of view is the highest motive that can actuate a man.

LOCAL PRODUCE MARKETS.

LOS ANGELES MARKETS.

The provision market is entirely without change.

Butter is quoted as for a long time, but the tone is not so firm. For a concession of a cent or two a merchant would hardly miss a sale.

Eggs are still unsettled. It is the opinion of shrewd operators that the prices were run down a trifle too fast. No doubt a desire to have a little ready money for Christmas led many to rush in all the eggs to be had. But the nights are cold and there are not a great many more coming in than are needed. Eastern are pretty well cleaned up, and a large portion of those on hand candle out as "seconds" and go to bakers. Taking this view of the situation some think the jobbing price will settle down in a few days at 30 cents and stay there for ten days or two weeks. As it is, some who do not take this view are jobbing as low as 28 cents for stock bought as low as 25. Holders in the country, however, quote 28 cents there as the price of strictly fresh stock.

Potatoes are unchanged. Onions are firm as ever. The vegetable list is firm on all kinds.

Beans are very firm. Full outside prices are the rule.

Small fruits are scarce and firm at extremely high prices. Berries ripen slowly such chilly nights as are prevailing.

Oranges are moving slowly. For carload lots $1.75 is the top of the market. Extra select navels job at as high as $2.75 for one to five boxes. Lemons are in good demand and firm. There is an excess of poultry on the market. The demand is very slow and stocks accumulate.

Game is in only moderate supply.

Fresh fish is very scarce and the demand is steadily good, especially for small pan fish.

Provisions.

BACON—Per lb., Rex breakfast, 14½; fancy wrapped, 15½; plain wrapped, 15½; mild cured, 13@13½; medium, 11; Gilbert bacon, 12; Wiltshire, 10-12-lb., average 14½; 14-16-lb., average 14; 45'er, 13½@15½; Orange Blossom, 13½.

HAMS—Per lb., Rex brand, 11½; Gilbert hams, 10½; picnic, 9@9½; Winchester, 14-lb. average 12; 12-lb., 12½; 45'er, 11½@12½; Orange Blossom, 11.

DRY SALT PORK — Per lb., clear bellies, 10½@10¾; short clears, 10@10¾; clear backs, 9¾ @10¾.

DRIED BEEF—Per lb., insides, 13½@15.

PICKLED BEEF—Per bbl., 16.00; rump butts, 17.00.

PICKLED PORK—Per bbl., Sunderland, 18.50

LARD — Per lb., in tierces, Rex, pure leaf, 9¼; Ivory compound, 7¾; Sustene, 7¾; special kettle-rendered leaf lard, 9½; Silver Leaf, 9¾; White Label, 9¼; Orange Blossom, 9¾.

Live Stock.

HOGS—Per cwt., 5.00@5.00.

CATTLE—Per cwt., 3.75@4.00 for prime steers; 2.50@3.75 for cows and heifers; calves, 4.50@5.00.

SHEEP—Per head, wethers, 4.00; ewes, 3.00@ 3.50; lambs, 2.50.

Flour and Feedstuffs.

FLOUR—Per bbl., local extra roller process, 3.50@4.00; northern, 3.80@4.00; Eastern Pillsbury's Best, 4.25; other brands, 4.25@4.00; Oregon, 3.50; graham flour, 1.90 per 100 lbs.

FEED-STUFFS—Bran, 17.00; shorts, 20.00; rolled barley, 20.00; cracked corn, 1.30 per cwt.

Hides, Wool and Tallow.

HIDES—Dry basis, 12½ per lb.; kip, 10; calf, 12½; bulls, 6½.

WOOL—Per lb., 8@10.

TALLOW—Per lb., No. 1, 3½@4; No. 2, 3@3½.

Fresh Meats.

BEEF—Per lb., 7½@8.

VEAL—6@8.

MUTTON—Per lb., 5; lamb, 8.

PORK—Per lb., 5½@6½.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

BUTTER—Fancy Board of Trade creamery, per square, 22½; southern creamery, 65@70; dairy, 55; other creamery, 60@65; eastern, in tubs, fancy, per lb., 22½.

EGGS—Per doz., fresh ranch, 23@30; eastern, standard, 23@24; extra select, 26@27.

CHEESE—Per lb., eastern, full cream, 16@ 16½; Coast full cream, 14@15; fancy evaporated, 14½; Young America, 15½; 3-lb. hand, 16½; domestic Swiss, 16@17; imported Swiss, 26@27; Edam, fancy, per doz., 8.00@8.50.

Dried Fruits, Nuts and Raisins.

RAISINS—Fancy Clusters, per box, 2.00; London Layers, per box, 2.25; loose, 5½@7½ per lb.; Seedless Sultanas, 5½@12½.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, evaporated, choice to fancy, 9½@10; apricots, 7½@8; peaches, fancy, 9½; choice, 7½@8; prunes, fancy evaporated, 17@15; plums, pitted cooking, 10@12; prunes, choice, 8; fancy, 6½; dates, 5@9; figs, sacks, California, white, per lb., 6@7; California black, per lb., 4@5; California, fancy layers, per lb., 10@12; imported Smyrna, 22½@25.

NUTS — Walnuts, paper-shells, 10½; fancy soft-shells, 9½; standards, 8; almonds, soft-shells, 15@17; paper-shells, 17@17½; hardshells, 10@11; pecans, 10@15; filberts, 13@14; Brazils, 8@10; pinons, 9@9; peanuts, eastern, raw, 4@6½; roasted, 6@7½; Japanese, 6.

Potatoes, Onions and Vegetables.

POTATOES—Per cental: Choice to fancy, 1.10 @1.30; common to fair, 1.00@1.10; sweet, per cental, 1.60@1.80.

ONIONS—Per cental, per cental, 2.00@2.25.

VEGETABLES—Beets, per cwt., 90@1.00; cabbage, 75@90; carrots, 85 per cwt.; green chiles, 6@7 per lb.; dry chiles, per string, 80@90; lettuce, per doz., 20; parsnips, 1.00@1.25 per cwt.; green peas, 5@10; radishes, per dozen bunches, 20@25; string beans, 9@10; turnips, 85 per cwt.; garlic, 5; tomatoes, 1.25@1.60; cucumbers, per dozen, 1.25@1.60; celery, per dozen, 40@50; cauliflower, per doz., 40@60.

Beans.

BEANS — Pink, 2.70@2.75; Limas, 4.10; small white, 5.00; large white, 4.00@4.35.

Hay and Grain.

BARLEY—Mill price, 1.08.

OATS—Jobbing price, 1.45@1.50.

CORN—1.35.

HAY—New barley, 14.00@15.00; alfalfa, 11.00@ 12.00; loose, 5.50@6.50.

WHEAT—Mill price, per cental 1.30@1.35.

Honey and Beeswax.

HONEY — Per lb., in comb, frames, 12@15; strained, 7@8½.

BEESWAX—Per lb., 21@23.

Fresh Fruits and Berries.

LEMONS—Per box, choice to fancy, 1.50@2.00; green, 1.00@1.25.

ORANGES—Per box, navels, 2.00@2.75; seedlings, 1.00@1.50.

LIMES—Per 100, 1.00.

COCOANUTS—Per doz., 80@1.00.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., 1.00@4.50.

STRAWBERRIES—Fancy, 20@25; common, 10 @15.

GRAPE FRUIT—Per box, 2.00@2.00.

BLACKBERRIES—Per box, 20@25.

RASPBERRIES—Per box, 25@40.

APPLES—New, per box, 1.15@1.50.

BANANAS—Per bunch, 1.00@2.25.

CRANBERRIES—Per bbl., 14.00@15.00.

Poultry.

POULTRY—Dealers pay live weight for stock in good condition: 5@6 per lb. for poultry; ducks, 10¢; for turkeys, 15@16; geese, 8@9.

GAME — Doves, per doz., 75@1.00; plover, 65@ 75; rabbits, 1.00@1.25; quail, 1.50@1.75; snipe, 75 @1.25; English jacksnipe, 2.00@2.50; wild ducks, teal, 1.50@1.75; sprigs, 2.12½@2.75; mallards, 3.75@ 4.25; spoonbills, 1.25@1.75; widgeons, 75@1.25; common, 50@1.00; wild geese, gray, 2.50@4.00; white, 2.00@2.50.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

SHARES AND MONEY.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The market digested an enormous amount of stocks on profit-taking today. These heavy offerings were not without effect on prices and in fact there was a period of very general reaction, but, like yesterday, the market again demonstrated its marvelous recuperative powers, and the speculative enthusiasm was shifted into new quarters, where the buying was resumed with unabated confidence. In a large part of the general list the movement of prices was not wide at any time, and the large volume of business was accomplished without either making an inroad on the market value or increasing it. In other stocks the day's price range was very wide while the net change is quite important. In this list were stocks which yielded sharply to the profit-taking movement and then recovered sharply in sympathy with the strength which developed at new points. The Grangers and Pacifics were examples. The distinguishing feature of the day's trading was the development of aggressive strength in large groups of lower-priced stocks both in the railroad and miscellaneous departments. The advance in Denver and Rio Grande common gave the cue for this movement. The strength in the Rio Grande stock and the large amount of the absorption have given rise to the conjecture that has begun of transfusion of interests between railroad companies in that region looking to a settlement of the obstinate rate problems similar to the exchange of holdings which has occurred between railroads in other regions. The response was not especially among the southwestern railroad, but among low-priced stocks, scattered all through the list. After Denver and Rio Grande had risen 3½, there were successive responses in Iowa Central, Norfolk and Western, Fort Worth and Rio Grande, the Wabash stocks, United States Leather, Hocking Coal, North American Reading second preferred and Mexican Central off from 1 to 3%. This diversion of speculative activity from high-priced, dividend-paying stocks to low-priced stocks is the very usual accompaniment of a long-sustained bull movement on the theory that the low-priced stocks are entitled to a rise to adjust their values to the dividend-payers. At this time there is the additional argument which gains force from a lingering fear of a possibility of a money squeeze, incident to the early settlement, that low-priced stocks are safer to hold on margin as the margin represents in some cases nearly the full value of the stock. In addition to these features of strength in today's market there was an opening rush to buy People's Gas, which made the price rise to 110 or three points above last night's close. The stock reacted two points and closed with a net gain of 1¾ on the strength of the report of Vanderbilt acquirement of the stock. Sugar was very feverish over a wide range, rallying strongly after an early decline and closing with a net gain of 3¼. St. Paul moved up in the late dealings pretty near to 141, coming within less than a point of Burlington. Uneasiness over the money market was again allayed by the abundant offerings on call, which carried the rate down to 4 per cent. in the late dealings. This was an influential factor in rallying the market, and the bears who sold freely in the early trading covered again on a large scale before the close. Business in bonds continued large, and the market gained in strength as the day progressed. Total sales, par value $8,130 000. United States old 4s and 5s advanced ½; refunding 2s ⅝, and 3s ¾ per cent. on the last call.

Closing Stocks—Actual Sales.

Atchison	46⅝	Wabash pfd	26¼
Atchison pfd	84⅜	Wheeling & L. E.	5¾
Baltimore & O.	82¾	W. & L. E. 2d pfd	20⅜
Canadian Pacific	92½	Wis. Central	19⅜
Canada Southern	57¾	Third Avenue	130
Chesa. & Ohio	41⅜	B. & O. pfd	85¾
Chicago G. W	16	Nat'l Tube	66¾
C., B. & Quincy	141⅝	Nat'l Tube pfd	104⅜
C. I. & L.	61	Tennessee Coal	
C. I. & L., pfd	93	Adams	148
C. & E. Illinois	94¼	American	135
Chicago & N. W.	165½	United States	37
C. M. & St. P.	139⅜	Wells-Fargo	139
C. C. C. & St. L.	72	Miscellaneous	
Colo. Southern	7¾	Am. Cot. Oil	32
Colo. So. 1st pfd.	43¼	Am. Cot. Oil pfd	91
Colo. So. 2d pfd	17¾	Am. Malting	5
Del. & Hudson	128	Am. Malting pfd	30¾
D. L. & Western	198	Am. S. & R.	74¾
Denver & R. G.	33¾	Am. S. & R. pfd	94
D. & R. G. pfd.	86¾	Am. Spirits	3
Erie	32	Am. Spirits pfd.	17
Erie 1st pfd.	58¾	Am. Steel Hoop	22¾
Great N. pfd.	185¾	Am. Steel & W.	44¼
Hocking Coal	16¾	Am. Steel & W. pfd.	94¾
Hocking Valley	41¾	Am. Tin Plate	44¼
Illinois Central	130	Am. Tin Plate pfd	91¾
Iowa Central	23½	Am. Tobacco	113
Iowa Cen. pfd.	49	Am. Tob. pfd.	136
Lake Erie & W.	19	Anaconda M. Co.	49
L. E. & W. pfd.	114	Brooklyn R. T.	67¾
Lake Shore	203½	Colo. Fuel & I.	55¾
Louis. & Nash.	87¼	Cont'l Tobacco	35¾
Manhattan L.	114¾	Cont'l Tob. pfd.	92
Met. St. Ry.	176¾	Federal Steel	67¾
Mexican C.	16⅝	Federal S. pfd.	77½
Minn. & St. L.	79¾	Gen. Electric	136
M. & St. L. pfd.	102	Glucose Sug.	49¾
Missouri Pacific	71¼	G. Sugar pfd.	95
Mobile & Ohio	40	Int'l Paper	25¾
M., K. & Texas	16¾	Int'l Paper pfd.	73¾
M., K. & T. pfd.	46¾	Laclede Gas	73½
N. Y. Central	145	Nat'l Biscuit	37¼
N. Y. Chicago	143¾	Nat'l B. pfd.	91
Norfolk & W.	45¼	Nat'l Lead	19¾
N. & W. pfd.	82¾	Nat'l Lead pfd.	90¼
Northern Pacific	68¾	Nat'l Steel	42
North. Pac. pfd.	87¼	Nat'l Steel pfd.	91¼
Ontario & W.	21¾	N. Y. Air Brake	158
Or. Ry. & Nav.	42	North American	21¼
Or. Ry. & Nav. pfd.	78	Pacific Coast	59
Pennsylvania	144	P. C. 1st pfd.	89
Reading	35	P. C. 2d pfd.	66
Reading 1st pfd.	70¾	Pacific Mail	43¾
Reading 2d pfd.	57¾	People's Gas	107¾
Rio Grande W.	36	Pressed Steel Car	43¼
R. G. W. pfd.	94	P. S. Car pfd.	93
St. Louis & S. F.	25¾	Pull. Palace Car	201
St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd.	77¾	Standard R. & T.	5¼
St. L. 2d pfd.	53¾	Sugar	141⅝
St. Louis, S. W.	17¾	Sugar pfd.	117
St. L. S. W. pfd.	48¾	Tenn. Coal & I.	45¾
St. Paul	140⅝	U. S. Leather	14¾
St. Paul pfd.	185	U. S. L. pfd.	76¼
St. Paul & O.	124	U. S. Rubber	23¾
Southern Pacific	43¾	U. S. R. pfd.	75¼
So. Railway	12¾	Western Union	83¾
So. Railway pfd.	72¾	Am. Copper	43¾
Texas & Pacific	24¾	R. R. & S. Co.	16¼
Union Pacific	97¾	R. I. & S. pfd.	73
Union Pac. pfd.	81½	P. C. C. & St. L.	98
Wabash	12¾		

*Ex-dividend.
Total sales, 1,471,300 shares.

Bond List.

U. S. R. 2s reg.	105¼	N. Y. C. 1sts	109¾
U. S. R. 2s coup.	104¾	N. J. C. Gen. 5s	129¾
U. S. 3s reg.	111¼	N. Y. 3s	71¼
U. S. 3s coup.	111¾	N. P. 4s	104¾
U. S. n. 4s reg.	129	N. Y. C. & St. L.	100
U. S. n. 4s coup.	129½	N. & W. Con. 4s	100
U. S. old 4s reg.	111	Or. Nav. 1sts	111
U. S. old 4s coup.	111	Or. Nav. 4s	101
U. S. 5s reg.	114½	Or. S. L. 6s	129
U. S. 5s coup.	114¾	Or. S. L. Con. 5s	117
D. of C. 3.65s	115	Reading Gen. 4s	93¾
Atchison, Gen. 4s	103¾	R. G. W. 1sts	101
Atchison, Adj. 4s	87¼	St. L. & I. M. 5s	114¾
Can. So. 2ds	108¾	St. L. & S. F. 6s	128¾
C. & O. 4½s	102¾	St. Paul Consols	190
C. & N. W.	127½	St. P. C. & P. 1s	121¾
C. & N. W. 7s	139	St. P. C. & P. 5s	125¾
C. & N. W. 5s	123	So. Pacific 4s	91
Chicago Term. 4s	93	So. Railway 5s	114¾
Colo. So. 4s	84¾	S. R. & T. 6s	70
D. & R. G. 4s	102	T. & P. 1sts	114¼
Erie Gen. 4s	82¾	T. & P. 2ds	80¾
Fort Worth 1sts	88¼	Union Pacific 4s	107¾
Gen. Elec. 5s	104	Wabash 1sts	117¾
Iowa Cen. 1sts	116	Wabash 2ds	106¼
L. & N. Un. 4s	100¾	West Shore 4s	117¾
M., K. & T. 2ds	77¼	Wis. Cen. 1sts	93
M., K. & T. 4s	95¼	Va. Centuries	96

London Financial Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: "The markets here were fairly active today after the holiday, favorably affected by the cheerful expectation of cheaper money in the new year and the failure of the Bank of England to raise its minimum discount rate which, however, caused no surprise. American securities were less active than they had been recently. London was disposed to take profits, but New York hoisted prices again and the close was at the best, while in the street buoyancy prevailed. The official denial of the reports of conversion of the Northern Pacific preferred shares is not taken too seriously here. It is expected that the rumor will be revived later. Both New York and Montreal were credited with buying Canadian Pacifics. Peace caused a spurt of 1¼ in Tintos. The bank lost £40,000 gold to India and £50,000 to the continent. Money was very firm, owing to end of the year requirements and the settlement. The bank did a large business in discounts at 4 per cent. and in loans were ¼ per cent."

New York Money.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Close—Money on call, firm at 4@6 per cent.; last loan, 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4¾@5¼ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.85 for demand and at 4.81¾@4.82¼ for sixty days. Posted rates, 4.82 and 4.85½@4.86. Commercial bills, 4.80¾@4.80¾. Silver certificates, 64½@65. Bar silver, 64. Mexican dollars, 50. Government bonds, strong; State bonds, inactive; railroad bonds, strong.

GENERAL EASTERN MARKETS.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

[BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Indifference at Liverpool and a decline at Paris equal to 1½ cents caused liberal offerings of wheat at the start. May opening 5¢ under yesterday at 72½@ 72¾. The market fluctuated narrowly for hours, sustained by a decrease in the world's visible supply of 13,000 bushels, by light Northwest receipts and by the strength of corn. Toward the end shorts covered, and as offerings were light, May rallied to 73¾@73¾ and closed steady, a shade lower at 73⅝. Corn was quiet but firm. May closed ¼¢ higher at 35¾. Oats nothing was doing. May closed ¼¢ higher at 25¾, in sympathy with corn firmness. Provisions were dull, but was a fairly steady market; January pork, lard and ribs each lost 2½.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, No. 2—		Closing.
December	69⅝@70	70
January	70@70⅛	70⅛
May	73¾	73⅝
Corn, No. 2—		
December	34¾	34¾
January	34¼@34¾	34¾
May	36¾	36¾
Oats, No. 2—		
December	24¾	24¾
January	24¾	24¾
May	25¾	25¾

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour was dull and easy; No. 3 spring wheat, 62@71; No. 2 red, 72@74; No. 2 corn, 36¾; No. 2 yellow, 36⅜; No. 2 oats, 22¼@22¾; No. 3 white, 25@27½; No. 3 white, 24¼@25½; No. 2 rye, 59@61; fair to choice malting barley, 52@60; No. 1 flax seed, 1.58¾; No. 1 northwestern, 1.57; prime timothy seed, 4.50; mess pork, per bbl., 11.60@11.12½; lard, per 100 lbs., 6.60@6.85; short ribs, sides (loose,) 6.20@6.40; dry salted shoulders (boxed,) 6¼@6¾; short clear sides (boxed,) 6.60@6.70; whisky, basis of high wines, 1.27; clover, contract grade, 10.00@10.25.

Grain Movements.

Articles—	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	68,000	53,0 0
Wheat, bushels	239,000	21,000
Corn, "	739,000	90,000
Oats, "	59,000	153,000
Rye, "	11,000	5,000
Barley, "	100,000	25,000

On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was dull; creamery, 15@23; dairy, 13@20; cheese, dull, 10¼@11¾. Eggs, firm; fresh, 21.

United States Wheat Crop.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The statistician of the Department of Agriculture estimates the United States wheat crop of 1900 at 522,229,506 bushels, the area actually harvested being 42,455,385 acres, and the average yield per acre 12.29 bushels. The production of winter wheat is estimated at 350,025,490 bushels, and that of spring wheat at 172,204,096 bushels, the area actually harvested being 26,225,597 acres in the former case, and 16,259,488 acres in the latter. The winter wheat acreage totally abandoned in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois is finally placed at 3,638,797 acres and the spring wheat acreage wholly abandoned in North Dakota and South Dakota at 1,793,467. A comparison of the newly-seeded acreage of winter wheat with that of the fall of 1899, shows that of the eleven States and Territories that sowed 1,000,000 acres or upward with winter wheat, one year ago, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Kansas, California, and Oklahoma, report an increase amounting to 971,704 acres, and Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Texas and Tennessee a decrease of 1,780,781 acres. The average condition of the growing crop December 1, was 97.1 per cent. of the normal. There are many complaints of the Hessian fly. The low condition for Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky and Tennessee is fully offset by the exceptionally high condition reported from Kansas, Missouri, California, Oklahoma and other States, in all of which it is above normal.

Available Supplies.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Special and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supplies since last report: Wheat—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increases 967,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, decreases, 1,160,000; total supply, decrease 18,000 bushels. Corn—United States and Canada, east of Rockies, increase 1,634,000 bushels. Oats—United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decrease 689,000 bushels. The combined stock of wheat at Portland, Tacoma and Seattle decreases 253,000 bushels.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Close: Wheat—December, 69¼@70; January, 70@70¼; May, 72¾. Corn—December, 34¾; January, 34¼@34¾; May, 37½. Oats—December, 24¾; January, 21¾; May, 23¾. Pork—December, 11.00; January, 12.10; May, 12.15. Lard—December, 6.87½; January, 6.72; May, 6.90. Ribs—December and January, 6.30. Cash: Wheat—No. 2 red, 72@74; No. 3 red, 69@74; No. 2 hard winter, 69¼@70; No. 3 hard winter, 66¼@70; No. 1 northern spring, 71@74; No. 2 northern spring, 71@74. No. 3 spring, 69@71. Corn—No. 2, 37; No. 3, 35. Oats—No. 2, 22½; No. 3, 22@23¾. Rye, 47. Barley, 38@60.

New York Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Though the London market for tin advanced over £6 over last Friday, it was still somewhat of a disappointment in the

Southern California by Towns and Counties.

PASADENA.

Basket-ball Team Still the Champion.

San Diego Fights Hard, but Can't Win.

City Marshal's Barn Consumed. A Farewell Surprise—News Notes.

PASADENA, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] The Pasadena High School basket-ball team still retains the championship of Southern California, notwithstanding a well-fought effort on the part of the San Diego High School team today, to wrest that honor from them. In a hotly-contested game this afternoon at the Wilson school grounds the visitors from the South were vanquished by the comfortable score of 22 to 5, and the young ladies who compose the local team are the heroines of the hour, while their adversaries are praised for the magnificent game they played. The game was called at 3 o'clock, with the following lineup: San Diego, forwards, Fern Georgia Halstead; center, Hazel [illegible], captain;) guards, Julia Dodge, [illegible]; Pasadena, forwards, May [illegible] Sutton; center, May Menguards, Barbara Baker, Emo[illegible] (captain.) The umpire for was Miss Nellie White, and [illegible]na, George Braden. Herbert was referee.

The first half ended with a score of 9 to 3 in favor of Pasadena, and from [illegible] in which the visitors did not score, but in the second half the [illegible] was evident that a hot contest was on, but in the second half the visitors set their opponents a lively pace and permitted them to score but [illegible], while the champions succeeded in adding 13 points to their [illegible]. Although the home team had never played under men's rules, to conform [illegible] to the practice of the San Diego team, and in this way probably were [illegible] disadvantage, their work in [illegible] and the clever plays of the [illegible] Sutton at the goals more than [illegible] this handicap. It was conceded that the San Diego team was [illegible] worthy foe ever met by the [illegible] who last season sent the [illegible]mouth team, Los Angeles, to [illegible] defeat, and as this was the first game played by the visitors [illegible] home, their nervousness consequently great. The work of [illegible] Perry at center was especially [illegible], but her support at the goals was [illegible] to that of the Pasadena team. [illegible] is likely that the teams will meet [illegible] the San Diego grounds for a return [illegible] in the course of a month or two, probably on Washington's birthday.

Tonight, at Throop Institute, an informal dance was tendered by the [illegible] Mandolin and Guitar Club to [illegible] and home teams, and many [illegible] of the High School and Throop [illegible] in attendance. The dance was [illegible] in the new society hall in the an[illegible] which had been decorated and [illegible] with Japanese lanterns by Ar[illegible] Treadaway and Leslie Bassett. [illegible] members of the San Diego team [illegible] leave for their homes on Satur[illegible].

LACEY'S BARN BURNED.

[illegible] Marshal Lacey's barn and its [illegible], including the family horse, [illegible] burned between 1 and 2 o'clock [illegible] at the Marshal's premises, [illegible] North Moline avenue. The Marshal [illegible] as incendiary set the blaze, [illegible] more than one occasion he has [illegible] letters in the building. The [illegible] and its contents were insured [illegible] and the loss will be several [illegible] dollars in excess of that [illegible]. The Marshal was on duty [illegible] at the time, and hastened [illegible] when the blaze was discovered [illegible] on arriving there found Mrs. [illegible] and the neighbors hard at work [illegible] to save the contents of the [illegible] and to protect adjoining prop[illegible]. It was impossible to rescue the [illegible] consumed, together [illegible] carriages, harness, tools and [illegible] goods.

SURPRISE PARTY.

[illegible] of the Eastern Star held a [illegible] party this evening at the home [illegible] Margaret Parker, corner Ma[illegible] and Henrietta court, the [illegible] of the surprise being Mrs. [illegible], for seven years, has been [illegible] of the order, and who will [illegible] for Arizona. After a short [illegible] consisting of vocal num[illegible] Lona Ohaus and Dr. J. [illegible], and a piano solo by [illegible] F. Strief, Mrs. Parker was [illegible] a Chaplain's pin. Mrs. [illegible] made the presentation [illegible] Mrs. Parker responded in [illegible] of thanks.

CHURCH ENTERTAINMENTS.

[illegible] of All Saints' Sunday-[illegible] their Christmas entertain[illegible] evening at the parish house. [illegible] children's chorus; a pres[illegible] of "Buggie's Christmas [illegible] by Miss Towne; a [illegible] by Miss Josephine Stokes; a [illegible] Hopkins, and distribu[illegible] by Santa Claus from [illegible] tree.

[illegible] of the Presbyterian [illegible] also had their Christ[illegible] this evening.

CONCERT GRAND STANDS.

[illegible] E. Lockwood has been [illegible] charge of the two Or[illegible] grand stands of the Tour[illegible] Association, and is [illegible] work on them. The active [illegible] seats from which to view [illegible] of roses and the parade has [illegible] necessary an enlargement of the [illegible] are on both sides of the [illegible] opposite each other, and [illegible] capacity is to be increased [illegible] improvements have been made [illegible] number of seats probably [illegible] in that city. Patrons [illegible] line from the south will [illegible] cars at the corner of Colo[illegible] and Fair Oaks avenue, [illegible] will walk the short dis[illegible] the point where the grand [illegible] located.

[illegible] stand at Tournament Park [illegible] rapidly, and those who wish [illegible] the afternoon polo game and [illegible] are reserving accommoda[illegible] Tournament Park is at the cor[illegible] Colorado street and Wilson [illegible] five minutes' walk from [illegible] car line.

PASADENA BREVITIES.

[illegible] tea for Miss Marian Mc[illegible] given this afternoon at the [illegible] mother, Mrs. Lucy McGil[illegible] 55 South Orange Grove ave[illegible].

[illegible]ckleyear and her daugh[illegible] receiving by Misses [illegible], Cloud, and Daggett, and the following ladies assisted in the coffee-room; Mmes. F. F. Rowland, W. U. Masters and George Senter, and Misses Rowland, Masters and Senter.

J. J. Davies, aged 66, died today at the home of his son, W. T. Davies, on North Marengo avenue. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made. Mr. Davies is survived by two daughters, Mrs. L. S. Chapman and Miss Laura Davies, and two sons, W. T. and E. W. Davies.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Locke and Miss Greenleaf gave an informal reception last evening at their home on Grand avenue for Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Phipps, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hugus, Mrs. Calvin Day Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Bland Ballard.

Mrs. Theodore Gittings of North Euclid avenue gave a tea this afternoon for Mrs. Edward Sumner of Detroit, who is a guest at the Green. The hostess was assisted in receiving by Mmes. J. D. Thompson and L. P. Crawford.

The Epworth League will hold a rally Friday evening at the Lincoln-avenue Methodist Church, and a large attendance is looked for from North and South Pasadena, Lamanda Park and Pasadena.

Dr. Charles D. Lockwood of Chicago has come to Pasadena to reside, and with his family is located at No. 170 South Madison avenue. He has opened an office in Los Angeles.

Michael Ullrich, a wealthy wine and cigar merchant of Chicago, who has spent several winters in Pasadena, arrived today with his wife, and registered at the Green.

Joshua Spiers, a negro vagrant, was sentenced this morning by Justice Klamroth to serve five days in the County Jail.

Samuel W. Atkinson and daughter of Lawrence, Mass., are at the home of Mrs. E. C. Knox of Peoria street.

Miss Cleora Moody and Wiley A. Poindexter were married last evening at South Pasadena.

Hon. H. H. Markham and Miss Alice Markham have returned from Washington, D. C.

Edward Groenendyke has returned from a lengthy stay in the East.

Officers of Corona Lodge were installed this evening.

If a customer wants something you haven't in stock, don't lose the trade, but order by Electric Express, and you'll have it the same day.

Reserved seats at Huff's for Tournament parade, battle of roses and afternoon sports. F. Bruce Wetherby, president P.T.R.A.

You can increase your business by free use of Electric Express.

Get your poultry for New Year's at Breiner's City Market.

Wadsworth sells paints.

POMONA.

FRUIT PACKERS ACTIVE.

POMONA, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] Activities at the orange-packing house are commencing here again and will probably continue from now on. C. K. Short is packing two cars of oranges and one of lemons. McClenny & Co. are shipping two cars of oranges, and the Pomona Fruit Exchange will ship four cars this week. The Fay Fruit Company, Indian Hill and Claremont Citrus unions are again receiving fruit. The Earl Fruit Company will begin next week."

POMONA BREVITIES.

There are many strangers in town now, and considerable inquiry is made for good orange and residence property.

Dr. J. A. Gordon of Occidental College, Los Angeles, was here on business today.

Mrs. Mary B. Rose has sold her cottage on North Gordon street to F. K. Adams, who will reside there with his family.

Dr. M. Morrison of Crowley, La., has just purchased twenty-nine acres of oranges from Lewis Wright. A fine well and pumping plant is on the land.

A crew of men is at work excavating the lot at the corner of Garey avenue and First street for the new brick building to be erected by S. L. Gross. The building will be occupied by E. E. Izer and the Consolidated Water Company.

W. O. Steffa has purchased a lot on Holt avenue, west of Towne avenue, and will soon begin the erection of a house.

G. W. Gates is in charge of the local telephone exchange, having come here from San Bernardino. Charles E. Dewey Bunnell has been transferred to Los Angeles.

Loud & Gerling are packing two cars of oranges for eastern shipment from the Pomona ranch.

ORANGE COUNTY.

SAVINGS BANK CHANGE.

SANTA ANA, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] A deal was consummated in this city yesterday by which a change was made in the directorate of the Orange County Savings Bank. The stock held by N. Palmer and D. Halladay was purchased by C. E. French and George W. Minter, Messrs. Palmer and Halladay retiring as directors of the institution. George W. Minter and J. W. Towner were elected. Messrs. Palmer and Halladay are the principal stockholders in the Commercial Bank of Santa Ana. C. E. French was elected president of the savings bank to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of N. Palmer.

SANTA ANA BREVITIES.

A strong desert wind prevailed today throughout the Santa Ana Valley, sending clouds of dust and stacks of tumbleweeds oceanward. The wind was the strongest of the season.

The complaint against J. W. Swinney of the peatlands for alleged assault on the person of L. Wells, has been dismissed by Justice of the Peace Willson.

Sam Lee, a native-born Chinaman, was arrested in this city yesterday on the charge of being drunk. Today he was taken before the City Recorder and fined $5 or given the alternative of serving five days in the County Jail. The Chinaman exclaimed that he "no likee jiail," and pungled up the cash.

SAN PEDRO.

OPENING THE QUARRIES.

SAN PEDRO, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] The California Construction Company expects to be taking breakwater rock from the Chatsworth Park quarry by January 15. The first rock from there will be mostly in small blasts, but there will be some big blasts later. The company expects soon to fire some big blasts at the Decles quarry, from which rock is regularly being hauled.

SAN PEDRO BREVITIES.

The schooner Stimson, Capt. Peterson, is in port on her maiden trip, with 900,000 feet of lumber for the Stimson Lumber Company. The vessel is one of the largest lumber carriers on the Coast.

The schooner Kate and Anna, Capt. Charles Walker, will clear in a few days for a sealing cruise.

$25,000 WORTH OF PRIZES

Will be distributed by The Times between January 1 and July 1, 1901. Watch for the details which will appear soon.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE.

HOTEL AND OTHER BUILDINGS GONE AT BEAR VALLEY.

Loss Fully Covered by Insurance—Sheriff and Deputy Close on the Trail of Day—The Young Desperado Now in Death Valley.

SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] Gus Knight's hotel at Pine Lake, Bear Valley, together with several of the adjoining cottages, were destroyed by fire Monday night. Knight was not at the place, and the man in charge left Monday to spend Christmas at one of the mining camps on the desert. The fire was discovered Christmas morning. The cottages were log structures, that cost several hundred dollars each; the hotel was a two-story building of considerable dimensions. The entire property was insured for $5000, of which about $2000 applies on the buildings. It is not known how the fire originated.

CLOSE ON DAY'S TRAIL.

Sheriff Rouse and Deputy Sheriff Shay are hot on the trail of the bandit, Day, who held up the Luna brothers at their cabin in Holcomb Valley Saturday night. After traveling along the railroad from Victor to Daggett, Day made a mistake which it is believed will result in his early capture. He took the road to Death Valley, it is thought, and must stay on it, as to leave it and the watering places would be a perilous undertaking. The Sheriff is less than a day behind him.

WANTS CHANGE OF VENUE.

Judge Noyes of Riverside, will sit tomorrow in Department Two of the Superior Court, to decide a case somewhat out of the ordinary—that of John G. Eikelman vs. G. F. R. B. Perdew, A. M. Ham et al. The trouble is over certain of the assets of the First National Bank that were purchased by the plaintiff, Perdew's Grapeland ranch is mortgaged, and Ham and the bank claim an interest in the property. Eikelman contests these claims. In a previous trial of the case, Ham's claim was upheld by Judge Campbell. Eikelman's attorney filed a motion for a new trial, together with an affidavit asking for a change of venue, on the alleged ground that Judge Campbell is biased. Judge Campbell has asked Judge Noyes to hear the testimony introduced in support of the affidavit.

SAN BERNARDINO BREVITIES.

The Board of Trade meeting was not held last evening. The meeting had been called to receive a proposition from Judge Campbell with reference to electric lighting, but word came from the Judge that he could not be present, and the meeting was declared off.

Steve Boehm and Will Rubidoux got into a row early yesterday morning in a Third-street poker room, resulting in a badly-disfigured nose for Rubidoux and a knife cut in Boehm's neck. The affair was hushed up, and no arrests have been made.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

MARRIED FIFTY YEARS.

RIVERSIDE, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] A brilliant golden wedding reception was given last evening at the Universalist Church to Dr. and Mrs. George H. Deere. The church was elaborately decorated with smilax, roses, chrysanthemums and lilies. Above the choir loft were the symbols, worked in flowers, "1850-1900." The members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the church acted as a Reception Committee. Dr. Deere told a happy story of his wedding, in Danbury, Ct., where he was pastor of a church, fifty years ago.

Capt. McIntyre made a felicitous speech. Rev. E. F. Goff and E. W. Holmes also spoke, paying tribute to Dr. Deere as a Christian and a citizen. Mrs. Deere said: "When, fifty years ago, we stood side by side as we do tonight, I remember these words: 'Till death do us part.' Whe. fifty years ago, we stood in our snowy home we little thought that we should be in sunny California, which we love the best of all. As we stand on the threshold of this new century, down which many of you will journey long, our journey will be short; but my prayer is: 'May we go together.'" And Dr. Deere responded, "I am willing."

Capt. Daniels spoke of Dr. Deere's pastorate in Rochester, Minn., where he knew him before coming here.

Many letters of congratulation and gifts were sent from the old parishes of the happy couple, and many of their friends remembered them with loving tokens.

RIVERSIDE BREVITIES.

S. T. Brooks died suddenly Monday night at his rooms on Ninth street. He was a man of bright attainments, but of late had been drinking heavily. He was educated for the bar and is said to have at one time held responsible positions in the government service.

A game of football will be played Saturday afternoon at Athletic Park between the Santa Ana and Riverside High School elevens.

C. J. Oberschmidt, a well-known resident of Highgrove, was committed to the Highland asylum by Judge Noyes.

The Chinaman who mysteriously disappeared from Casa Blanca last Saturday returned to the camp yesterday, much out of his mind. He had become demented and wandered off into the hills, where he says he met spirits and talked with them. The spirits came to him in the form of a huge bird. He was taken to Los Angeles today for treatment.

F. R. Weidenmuller of West Riverside reported at the Sheriff's office yesterday that some one had stolen a valuable driving horse from his alfalfa field Christmas night.

FULLERTON.

BIG WALNUT INCOME.

FULLERTON, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] The secretary of the Fullerton Walnut Growers' Association is ready to make his annual report for the season just closed. The amount to be paid to members of the association for the season's output is $82,225.90. The net gain of the crop amounts to $3914.85. The expense of handling the crop of the association this year was $39.36, per car, a saving over 1899, when the expense was $45.43 per carload. The prices fixed for walnuts belonging to or under control of the united associations were 10 cents a pound for No. 1 soft-shell; 9½ cents per pound for No. 1 hardshell, and 2 cents less per pound for No. 2 of both grades. From these prices a discount of 6 per cent. was allowed the brokers. The other walnut growers' association of Fullerton shipped 583,499 pounds of walnuts, receiving for the ouput $56,205.88. The Fullerton walnut crop this year sold for more than $175,000, bringing a big sum of money to the growers of one walnut district. The prices received for the crop of 1900, not only in Fullerton, but all of Southern California, were higher than ever paid during the past ten years.

FULLERTON BREVITIES.

Malvern Hill Post, G.A.R., has elected the following officers to serve next year: Dr. D. W. Hasson, P.C.; Erwin Barr, S.V.C.; J. W. McKinney, J.V.C.; J. H. Clever, Q.M.; G. W. Stough, Sergeant; J. S. Wallace, Chaplain; A. McDermont, D.D.; William Fithian, O.G.; Robert Mears, Adjutant; Erwin Barr, Delegates to Southern California encampment; J. W. McKinney, Alternate.

A. S. Jones, a former employé at the Union oil wells, who disappeared about six weeks ago, leaving a wife and seven small children in destitute circumstances, has not returned to Fullerton, but was seen in Bakersfield a few days ago. Employés at the wells are assisting the family, buying over $10 worth of groceries for them the day before Christmas. Jones lost his position with the Union Oil Company on account of abusing and mistreating his family. A few days after he disappeared he wrote to his wife, asking her for money.

WHITTIER.

EXCITING BARN RACE.

WHITTIER, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] John A. Nickson brought suit this afternoon against C. W. Harvey for $50 damages, alleging that the latter is building a barn upon property of which the complainant had a lease. Nickson claims that he has a lease of the lot from C. C. Bixby, the alleged authorized agent of W. W. Pierce of Waterloo, Iowa, the owner. Mr. Harvey says he has had a letter from Mr. Pierce, instructing him to build whatever he pleases on the lot.

Yesterday afternoon the two men met on the street, and Nickson ordered Harvey to remove his barn from the lot. Harvey refused in language more forceful than elegant. The lie was given and returned, and business on the street was suspended while the people gathered on the curb and waited for active developments. Each asked the other to begin, but neither seemed so disposed. The hearing will be held before Justice Baldwin.

WHITTIER BREVITIES.

James M. King, one of the pioneer settlers of Whittier, died at his home on King's Lane this morning of consumption. The funeral will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. from the Friends Church.

Richard Garvey has brought suit against Jack Nickolson, who resides in Los Nietos Township, for the recovery of two young stray horses, which came to the latter's ranch some weeks ago. The case will be heard Saturday morning before Justice L. M. Baldwin.

The work of setting the poles for the Whittier Telephone Exchange will begin Monday. The central office of the new company will be located in the new bank building, on the corner of Philadelphia street and Greenleaf avenue.

ANAHEIM.

POWDER AND CIGARETTE.

ANAHEIM, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] Harry Martin, aged 16, a Whittier boy who has recently been working here, was badly burned on the face and shoulders this afternoon. He was carrying a one-pound bag of powder up town, and took a lighted cigarette in the same hand. It is supposed a bit of fire found its way to the powder, which exploded just as he raised the cigarette to his lips. Physicians say it is a wonder the young man was not killed outright.

FINGER CUT OFF.

Miss Anna Tunison, a young woman employed at the Buena Park Milk Condensing Factory had the end of her index finger cut off yesterday evening by a die stamp.

ANAHEIM BREVITIES.

Apricots are in profuse bloom in many groves in the county and growers are beginning to feel alarmed. Severe weather, for which there is yet plenty of time, would work havoc among the blooming trees.

Jonas Thurston, the young man who attempted to commit suicide last Friday by shooting himself in the head, was pronounced practically out of danger by his physician today. Symptoms of blood poisoning were present until last night.

LONG BEACH.

FIRST LIQUOR CASE.

LONG BEACH, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] The first arrest under the prohibition ordinance adopted several months ago was made today. The defendant is William E. Christie. He is accused on complaint of City Marshal Baker of having sold intoxicating liquor in violation of the ordinance. The case is pending before City Recorder Sovereign.

KICKED BY A HORSE.

Miss Pearl Cassaboom, daughter of C. W. Cassaboom, was kicked by a horse this afternoon and received very painful injuries. The horse's shoe struck the front of the right leg above the ankle, tearing the flesh and leaving the bone exposed. She was attended to by Drs. Wood and Holden.

WOODCHUCK BREEDING IN MAINE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—While the farmers in many districts are still more than conservative in regard to embarking on new methods of supplementing their income, others are developing quite a spirit of enterprise. Skunk rearing and the breeding of Belgian hares are just now at a discount, but in their place is proposed the breeding of woodchucks. It is intended in some cases to convert abandoned skunk pens and deserted rabbit hutches into pens and inclosures for the rearing of woodchucks. The fur is good for many purposes, and the meat is much better than that furnished by some of the rabbit tribe, and it only needs a patient cook and average powers of mastication. Though woodchucks do not produce more than eight or ten offspring in a year, the young grow rapidly, often running to eight or ten pounds when eighteen months old. The animals are hardy, and can find their own houses. They will stand confinement much more contentedly even than the family pig. It is estimated that an acre of land sowed to peas in rotation will feed 500 woodchucks throughout the season. Woodchucks are worth 50 cents a head in the fall when they are fat, and thus an income of $250 a year could be derived from an acre of poor land at a very slight outlay of labor. The woodchuck is exceedingly accommodating in the matter of winter support. He goes into winter quarters late in September and does not emerge until May 15, thus saving his feed to the farmer. It is said that more than 200 acres of land in northern Penobscot county will be devoted to woodchuck culture during the coming season.

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SAN DIEGO EX-FIRE CHIEF WILL APPEAL.

THE END NOT YET IN THE MUNICIPAL MUDDLE.

New Chief Takes Oath of Office and Assumes His Duties—Warships Start South—Death Caused by a Broken Neck.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] There are all sorts of rumors as to the outcome of the removal of the Chief of the fire department. As many of the men now in the department were selected by the ex-Chief, it is argued by the friends of Mr. Mix, the new Chief, that there is likely to be a shake-up all along the line. Mr. Mix took the oath of office today. It is expected that the matter of the removal of Mr. Cairnes will be carried to the Superior Court on a petition for review. Mr. Callen, Mr. Cairnes's attorney, is at work getting the papers into shape for a move of this nature. Mr. Burt, the minority member of the board, is out with a letter, defending the official record of Mr. Cairnes, and attacking the step taken by the majority members of the commission on Wednesday. He says that he had no notice whatever of the proposed action of the board. "This," he said, "was done in the face of a written opinion furnished the board by City Attorney Doolittle, which was prepared at the request of Mr. Carter, and after giving the decisions of Supreme courts from New York to California, states clearly the rights of this commission." The right of the commission to declare the office of an officer elected for a specified time, vacant, is the point at issue.

BROKE HER NECK.

This afternoon the inquest in the case of Mrs. Della L. Taylor resulted in a verdict that the woman was accidentally killed on the night of December 25, by falling down stairs and breaking her neck. The body will be kept at the undertakers twenty-four hours in the hope of finding relatives or friends who will attend to the burial. Otherwise, it will be buried by the county. Mrs. Taylor was the widow of David Taylor, who saw service in the Mexican War in an Ohio regiment. She had lived at Sacramento and Prescott, Ariz. She came here a few days ago in the hope of redeeming some property which had been bid in for city taxes, and had engaged to do housework at Harry Fisher's. The letters found in her effects are signed by the first name of the writers and no clew to the home or relatives of the deceased has been found.

DIRECTORS CHOSEN.

It is announced this evening that the following have been elected directors of the Chamber of Commerce in the mail election: George H. Ballou, W. L. Frevert, George W. Marston, Philip Morse, Nat. Titus, L. Mendelson, M. A. Luce, M. F. Heller, G. B. Grow, G. W. Jorres, D. F. Garrettson, Joseph A. Flint, U. S. Grant, Jr., Simon Levi, W. S. Waterman. The directors will organize tomorrow morning.

MOVEMENTS OF WARSHIPS.

The United States torpedo boat Farragut arrived this evening from Magdalena Bay. She left the battleship Iowa and the cruiser Philadelphia in the bay yesterday morning, making very good time to this port. The Farragut reports the officers and men of the two ships in the best of health. The Iowa and Philadelphia have started on the cruise south. The Iowa will be here January 24, and Rear-Admiral Kauts will retire from service, and the command of the Pacific squadron will be assumed by Admiral Casey.

STILL AFTER LOTTERIES.

It appears that the end is not yet in the war on the Chinese lottery business. Quen Yiting was in Judge Anderson's court this morning, charged with selling a lottery ticket to one Paul Asher, a longshoreman. Through his counsel, Messrs. Lawrence and Capps, the prisoner requested that the hearing be postponed to Saturday, which request was granted. Assistant City Attorney Ingle appeared for the people. The public has yet to be told how the longshoreman happened to complain of this alleged violation of the law, and the city ordinances. It is possible that the complainant may have been induced to make the purchase. If convicted it is likely to cost the Chinaman more dollars than he will care to part with.

SAN DIEGO BREVITIES.

A party of legislators was entertained today by the Chamber of Commerce and the officers of the State Normal School. The object in getting the lawmakers to San Diego was to impress upon them the need of a $50,000 appropriation for an addition to the State Normal School building. They were taken through the building this forenoon and were given a sail down the bay.

The preliminary examination of Thomas Marack, who is accused of trying to kill C. H. Daly with a butcher knife, was held yesterday afternoon, the prisoner being held for the Superior Court in $200 bail. Failing to find bail, he was committed to the County Jail.

The schooner Volante, which sailed from here a few days ago, was held at Ensenada on account of a defect in the papers. The vessel was bound for La Paz with coal for the United States steamer Ranger. The vessel returned here to have the papers corrected.

A conference was held today at Ensenada between the officers of the Lower California Development Company and the officers of the San Diego Water and Flume Company, and the San Diego Electric Light Company.

Miss Mabel Ruth Pittock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pittock, was married yesterday to M. W. Folsom of Stockton.

Misses Ruth and Belle Eaves have gone north to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. C. Eaves.

Albert M. Olmsted was seriously injured yesterday while alighting from a street car.

The San Francisco tug El Salvador arrived in the harbor this forenoon for coal.

CORONADO BEACH.

BRIEF NEWS NOTES.

HOTEL DEL CORONADO, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] Indications are that there will soon be standing room only at the hotel. The tide of winter travel sets in with the opening of the new year.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jenks of Pawtucket, R. I., and Hattie B. Carpenter were among the arrivals yesterday.

C. A. Stonehill of Chicago has returned to that city. His family will remain here for the season.

Gen. Churchill entertained at luncheon yesterday Mr. and Mrs. William D. Schultz of Zanesville, O., who are on their bridal tour.

Miss Virginia Scripps of La Jolla entertained at luncheon yesterday the following: Mrs. Thomas T. Knight, Miss Agnes Knight, Miss Lawson and Miss Gertrude Lawson of Los Angeles.

The golf match begun Christmas day was decided today, Mr. Gardiner defeating Mr. Richards.

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

THAT "GAP" ALMOST CLOSED.

SANTA BARBARA, Dec. 27.—[Regular Correspondence.] The last spike making the Southern Pacific coast line a unit may be driven Saturday. As the time draws near and the "gap" toward a close, there is much less stir manifested than in the anticipation of the event for which this section of the State has long waited.

The proposed celebration of the closing has fallen through. This came about when H. E. Huntington and his followers turned the proposition cold because they realized that it meant "dig up." San Luis Obispo afterward talked of a celebration, but she celebrated the arrival of the railroad there in 1894. The Espee whistled and passed on without disturbing the quiet of the moss-be-whiskered old mission. San Luis will hardly celebrate.

The new track is being ballasted with crushed rock from the San Luis Obispo crusher. A mile a day is the average and about twenty-eight miles remain to be ballasted.

The work throughout is a masterpiece of railroad building. Near the Los Alamos Valley is the largest fill known to the railroad world. Between Gaviota and Santa Barbara six solid steel viaducts have been built, besides numerous small ones.

ALUMNI ORGANIZED.

The High School class of 1900 met at the Women's Club last evening with representatives of the class of '98 and '99. The purpose was to organize an alumni. Officers were elected to hold over to June 15, 1901, as follows: President, Miss Ethna M. Green, 1900; First vice-president, Chester Noble, 1898; second vice-president, Miss Mildred Clark, 1900; secretary, O. Roy Thompson, 1900; treasurer, R. Edward Moore, 1900. The officers will act as an executive committee to determine the time and place of next meeting.

BIG LAND TRANSFER.

A deed was filed today conveying four tracts of land, portions of La Laguna Rancho, from W. E. Dargie and wife to L. C. Morehouse. The tracts sold aggregate 3497.92 acres. It is situated in the lower part of the Santa Maria Valley, and is in a rich section.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

How the Barber Came to Administer a Convict Cut to the Head of the Son of Toil.

[New York Sun:] When the horny-handed son of toil came into the back room of the Laborer's Rest with his hair cut so short that a pair of tweezers could not nip it he was greeted by a great chorus of derisive remarks.

"Cut it short; cut it short," he fairly shouted through the din.

"That's what's the matter with it," answered the crowd, and they guyed him till he ordered the drinks and restored the place to quiet.

"Lemme tell you," he said in explanation as one after another of the crowd rubbed his hands over his head, "you see, I goes into the barber shop around the corner, and the scissors snipper there puts me in a chair and begins chinnin' about the Chinese war. 'Cut it short' says I. 'I'm in a hurry.' And he shuts up and goes snippin' away, an' purty soon he begins again about the way the Republicans had done for Bryan, and I puts in and says: 'Cut it short, pardner; cut it short, and he shuts up and goes snippin' away, and I rests back in the chair feelin' as comfortable as a millionaire, and he gets another start and wags his jaw onto the President's message and I says, says I: 'Cut it short; cut it short,' and he closes his talker and snips along and I has my eyes shut restin' as peaceful as a baby thinkin' about nothin' and purty soon he begins again on the mean way they treated old man Kruger over there among the crowned heads of Europe, and he wakes me up, and I says, says I: 'Will you cut it short?' and he begs my pardon and goes snippin' along as easy as a nurse at a sick bed, and I snooze and dreams, and purty soon he gits to goin' agin about the Filipinos, and I says: 'Fer the last time, will you cut it short?' and then I sets up in the chair and gets a look at my top end in the glass, and this is what I see. What I says to the barber won't do to speak of amongst the gents, but he stands there so meek-like and innocent sayin' all the time I told him to cut it short, that I gits out of the chair after bit, and gives him a dime and tells him if the fool-killer had been in that afternoon, there would be two funerals tomorrow, and then I goes out and the barber stands in the window watchin' me till I gits around the corner and lookin' hurted clean through, as if it wasn't his fault, and anyhow whose was it?"

MINE EMPLOYEES BACK AT WORK.

PITTSTON (Pa.,) Dec. 27.—The 2500 employés of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company at the Heidelburg, Dorrance, Prospect and Franklin collieries, went back to work today after being on strike since last Friday. The men struck because they were not receiving their pay every two weeks. They have been assured that the company will hereafter pay wages semi-monthly.

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Overland Express—Leaves 7:15 p.m. daily. Arrives 7:00 a.m. daily.

San Bernardino, via Pasadena—Leave for, 1:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 7:15 p.m. Arrive from, 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:50 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

San Bernardino, via Orange—Leave for, *11:00 a.m., 3:35 p.m. Arrive from, 10:45 a.m., 5:45 p.m.

Redlands, via Pasadena—Leave for, 8:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Arrive from, 10:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Redlands, via Orange—Leave for, *11:00 a.m. Arrive 10:45 a.m., 5:45 p.m.

Riverside, via Pasadena—Leave for, 8:30 a.m. Arrive from, 10:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Riverside, via Orange—Leave for *11:00 a.m., 3:35 p.m. Arrive from, 10:45 a.m., 5:45 p.m.

Pasadena, Monrovia and Azusa—Leave for, 8:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:15 p.m. Arrive from, 9:50 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

FULLERTON and ORANGE—Leave for, 8:45 a.m., *11:00 a.m., *2:00 p.m., 5:05 p.m. Arrive from, 8:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., *12:55 p.m., 5:45 p.m.

Santa Ana—Leave for, 8:45 a.m., *2:00 p.m., 5:05 p.m. Arrive from, 8:45 a.m., *12:55 p.m., 5:45 p.m.

San Jacinto, Hemet, Elsinore and Temecula, via Pasadena—Leave for, *8:30 a.m.

San Jacinto, Hemet, Elsinore and Temecula, via Orange—Leave for, *11:30 a.m. Arrive from, *10:45 a.m.

Escondido—Leave for, *2:00 p.m. Arrive from, *12:55 p.m.

Fallbrook—Leave for, *8:45 a.m. Arrive from, *8:45 p.m.

San Diego and Coronado Beach—Leave for, 8:45 a.m., *2:00 p.m. Arrive from, *12:55 p.m., 5:45 p.m.

Redondo Beach—Leave Los Angeles First street, 10:10 a.m., 5:31 p.m. Arrive

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

AT THE THEATERS.

LOS ANGELES—The Belle of New York.
BURBANK—El Capitan.
ORPHEUM—Vaudeville.

NEWS AND BUSINESS.

Hand Mashed.

J. C. Earl, an employé of the Llewellyn Iron Works, was taken to the Receiving Hospital yesterday for treatment. In lifting a pipe it slipped and caught his hand against another pipe, and the member was badly mashed.

Auto-Speaking Collision.

Frank McNarey was taken to the Receiving Hospital last night suffering from a fracture of the collar bone. He was riding a wheel, met another bicyclist, and one or the other failed to turn out. A collision and McNarey's injuries were the results.

Street Car Afire.

A telephone alarm of fire was sent from First and Main streets at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon on account of a blaze under the floor of a Pico Heights electric car. The motor became short circuited and set the car on fire. The services of the firemen were not needed.

Insolvent Widow.

Mrs. M. A. Pitcher, a widow living at San Bernardino, has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. She owes just $600 to M. F. Bump of San Bernardino and her assets are stated to consist of $461.25 worth of personal property. This includes everything, from a calf and forty-seven geese to family photographs.

Christmas Still.

Although Santa Claus is supposed to have departed last Tuesday for a year, his presents are coming into Los Angeles by mail in half-ton lots. The postoffice employés are wondering how long Christmas will last, and the mail carriers are tired out with their efforts to deliver the packages as fast as they come. They had anticipated finishing the big task today, but will probably not succeed for several days.

Self-Inflicted Stabbing.

J. M. O'Neal, who stabbed David Miller at Tenth and San Pedro streets Christmas night, has been released and will not be prosecuted. An investigation convinced the police that the stabbing was in self-defense and that it would be only a waste of time to take the case into the courts. Miller was discharged from the hospital yesterday afternoon. He said that he did not propose to try to prosecute O'Neal, as he knew the latter could easily secure his acquittal.

Quartz Claims.

The Frazier Borate Mining Company has filed a bill of complaint in equity in the United States Circuit Court against J. L. Kelly, J. A. Hazlett, W. Ingram, G. S. Barton, C. C. Scribner and E. L. Waites, asking that a writ of injunction be issued restraining the defendants from working for minerals on the borax claims of the plaintiff in section 23, township 8 north, range 21 west, Western county. The company claims it secured the land in question from the original locators.

Search for Battery.

Two warrants were sworn out yesterday for the arrest of Frank Doelle, a brewery employé, charging him with battery. The complainants are J. E. Tuttle and W. E. Jeffries, who allege that Doelle assaulted them Tuesday night at the corner of Temple and Spring streets. The trouble was caused by a dispute over a bill for the use of a horse and buggy on election day. During the fight a valuable cane belonging to Jeffries was stolen.

Trip to San Diego.

A telephone message was received at the detectives' office last night from San Diego announcing the sudden death there by apoplexy of Horace V. Briggs of this city. From papers found on the body it was learned that he was 70 years old and a daughter of the deceased resides in Los Angeles. They are Mrs. Edward Briggs and Mrs. Mary McConnell. The city directory shows that Benjamin Briggs a laborer, resides at No. 525 Temple street. The San Diego authorities are desirous of communicating with the relatives.

Quo Warranto Suit.

The quo warranto suit of H. T. Crippe et al. vs. the Aetna Petroleum Company, which was commenced the 3rd inst. in the Superior Court of Fresno county, has been transferred to the northern division of the United States Court and will be tried at Fresno. The plaintiffs say they own the southeast quarter of section 36, township 19 south, range 19 east, in Fresno county, and that the Aetna company has entered land, erected a derrick and is about to bore for oil. The defendant company admits it holds an interest in the property by legal means.

Bankrupt Lawyer.

Lemuel M. Washburn, a lawyer of this city, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. He says he owes $1836.35 and has nothing but $193 worth of personal property, consisting largely of office furniture and his law library. On the way of live stock he has Belgian horses valued at $1.75. He admits holding $50 shares of $250 each of the capital stock of the Almond and Olive Mutual Land Investment Company, which are of no value. The company has no property. From his petition it appears that Washburn must have been the promoter of some colony scheme that left him owing money to various people whom he was to pay "when the thing was successful."

BREVITIES.

It is the aim of the publishers to make the forthcoming Annual Midwinter number of The Times, which will be issued January 1st, 1901, the finest special issue yet published. With an edition approximating 100,000 copies, the larger part of which will be mailed away, this number presents exceptional advantages to persons desiring publicity for properties or products before the eastern purchasing public. To owners of oil or mining stocks, city lots and residences or ranches, with any, or all of their products, for which they are seeking a market, an advertisement in this issue will bring returns. For this issue the rate of three cents a word for classified wants, for sales, etc., and seven cents per word for "reading" brings the advertising within the reach of all.

Owing to the great success of my closing sale I will continue it a few days longer. Newly-trimmed black hats for $1, which is less than half their value. Ladies knowing the style and quality of goods used will appreciate this opportunity. Miss A. Corbin, 238 West Third street.

Although The Times business office is open day and night, year in and year out, when it is not possible to insert your ads. in, you can telephone them in at any hour of the day or night at the standard "liner" rate, 1 cent per word per insertion.

Ellsworth Hardware Co. has removed to 327 South Spring street. They have a full line of hardware, stoves, granite, tinware; do plumbing, tinning and furnace work.

Henry J. Kramer will form an adult beginners' dancing class Thursday eve. Academy, 2. References; bowling alleys to let to clubs by the day, month or season.

The Times will distribute $25,000 worth of prizes. Watch The Times for the details of the contest which will appear in a few days.

The best service and finest meals at Del Monte Restaurant, Third street between Spring and Broadway.

Mrs. E. E. Barden presented her husband an eight-and-a-quarter-pound boy Thursday at 10:25 a.m.

For time of arrival and departure of Santa Fé trains, see "Time Card" in today's Times.

The Times Job Office is equipped to do machine composition, 13 ems, at short notice.

Finest cabinet photos reduced to $1. $1.75 per doz. Sunbeam, 226 S. Main st.

Furs remodeled, P. Bonoff, 247 S. F'way

Whitney's trunk factory, 228 S. Main.

Whitney Trunk Factory, 423 S. Spring

The case of Wong Quong, the Bakersfield Chinaman ordered deported, was to have come up in the United States District Court yesterday, but was postponed until January 11, owing to the absence of witnesses.

The Los Angeles Camera Club will meet this evening at No. 221 South Hill street, and a good programme has been arranged for the occasion.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union telegraph office for Claude Ferguson, B. T. Landers, J. F. Lonz, A. H. Crowell, Jacob Hemingway, Leigh R. Crawford and George Moore, M. E.

MUSIC AND MUSICIANS.

First Symphony Concert.

An event of special interest to Los Angeles music patrons will be the opening of the season of symphony concerts at the Los Angeles Theater this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The symphony orchestra enters upon its fourth season of concert work, and is under the direction of Mr. Hamilton, whose capabilities and personal sacrifices have been so largely responsible for the maintenance of the organization. The orchestra has been under diligent rehearsal, and a good rendition of an excellent programme is looked for. The programme is as follows:

Overture, "Ruy Blas" (Mendelssohn;) "A Siegfried Idyll" and "Vorspiel" to "Lohengrin" (Wagner:) fifth symphony, "From the New World"—adagio in E minor, allegro molto in E minor, largo in D flat major, scherzo, molto vivace in E minor, and finale: allegro confuoco in E minor (Dvorak.)

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday from the office of the County Clerk:

James T. Grant, aged 24, a native of Tennessee, and Daisy R. Lannier, aged 19, a native of Mississippi; both residents of Norwalk.

John Hallahan, aged 46, a native of Wisconsin, and a resident of Bakersfield, and Sophie W. Knight, aged 45, a native of New York, and a resident of Los Angeles.

Albert Stanley Rose, aged 24, a native of California and a resident of Los Angeles, and Lavada Mae Trent, aged 18, a native of Indiana and a resident of Azusa.

BIRTH RECORD.

BARDEEN—At Lincoln Park, December 27, to Edward E. Bardeen and wife, a son.

MARRIAGE RECORD.

HALLAHAN-KNIGHT—By the Rt. Rev. Bishop Montgomery, December 24, 1900, John Hallahan of Bakersfield and Mrs. S. W. Knight of Los Angeles.

DEATH RECORD.

CARPENTER—December 24, 1900, at her residence, near Downey, Elizabeth Ann, wife of H. J. Carpenter, a native of Pennsylvania.

LOHMAN—At his home in this city, December 26, 1900, John Henry Lohman. Beloved husband of Adelbert R. and father of John J., H. Fred, H. F., George F., L. C. and T. G. Lohman and Mrs. Lena Kraft, a native of Germany, aged 79 years.

Funeral from German Lutheran Church, corner Eighth and Flower streets, Saturday, December 29, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends invited. Interment Evergreen Cemetery.

OLDRIDGE—At her late residence, December 27, 1900, Mrs. Alda I. Oldridge, mother of Mrs. N. P. Bailey and Miss Frances E. Oldridge, and sister of Mrs. C. J. Dozier, aged 62 years.

Funeral at residence, No. 1031 West Twenty-fifth street, Friday, December 28, at 2 p.m. Friends invited. Interment Evergreen.

DOUGLAS—In Los Angeles, December 21, 1900, Robert A. Douglas.

(San Diego and San Pedro papers please copy.)

ATTENTION, STANTON POST, G.A.R.!

Funeral of Comrade Henry L. Loney at No. 1220 West Twentieth street, Friday, December 28, 2 p.m. All comrades turn out. By order E. A. DAVIS, Commander.

J. M. GUINN, Adjutant.

OBITUARY.

At his late residence, No. 1826 West Twentieth street, H. L. Toney, a native of New York, aged 54 years, a member of Stanton Post, G.A.R. He served as chief musician Co. G, Third Regular United States Colored Infantry, and chief trumpeter, lance corporal and sergeant of Tenth Cavalry. In private life he was respected by all he had occasion to come in contact with. To the end, he was a soldier still, and his last thoughts were my flag and country saved. He leaves a widow to mourn his loss. Funeral from residence, Friday, at 2 p.m. Interment at Rosedale Cemetery. Friends invited.

LOS ANGELES TRANSFER CO.

Will check baggage at your residence to any point. Office, 423 S. Spring. Tel. M. 45, or 245.

THE LADY UNDERTAKER.

Mrs. M. H. Connell is the only lady undertaker practicing in Los Angeles at present. Orr & Hines Co., 667 S. Broadway. Tel. M 66.

BREESE BROS. CO., UNDERTAKERS.

Lady assistant attends ladies and children. Broadway and Sixth street. Tel. main 341.

$25,000 WORTH OF PRIZES

Will be distributed by The Times between January 1 and July 1, 1901. Watch for the details which will appear soon.

CHANCES FOR OIL.

To oil companies or private parties who own oil properties or stocks, desiring eastern capital for development, the Midwinter Number of The Times, through its classified advertising columns, offers an exceptional good medium for reaching this class of people. Classified advertising for this issue only will be 3c per word. Send in your copy. This issue will go all over the United States, and it is hoped to make it reach 250,000 copies.

Special Sale of Ladies' Purses.

Today, Friday, Dec. 28, we will sell all of our 50-cent sterling mounted Ladies' Purses for 25 cents each. No reserve; these Purses have always been considered exceptional values at 50c. You must never hope to duplicate them at 25c.

Dean's Drug Store
Second and Spring Sts.

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What $2.00 Will Buy

Homespun dress skirts, worth up to.....$5.00
Eiderdown bath robes, worth up to.....$5.00
Children's reefers, worth up to.....$4.00
French flannel waists, worth up to.....$4.50

What $3.00 Will Buy

Golf skirts, with plaid backs, worth up to.....$6.00
Black cloth dress skirts, worth up to.....$5.00
Ladies' covert cloth jackets, worth up to.....$5.00
French flannel waists, worth up to.....$6.00
Taffeta silk waists, worth up to.....$6.50
Children's reefers, worth up to.....$5.00

What $4.00 Will Buy

Golf skirts, with plaid backs, worth up to.....$7.50
Black Venetian dress skirts, worth up to.....$6.50
Black, navy and mode Kersey jackets, worth.....$8.50
Beaded seal plush capes, worth up to.....$8.50
Taffeta silk waists, worth up.....$7.50
Children's reefers, worth up to.....$7.50

What $5.00 Will Buy

Golf suits, worth up to.....$15.00
Fly-front tailor-made suits, worth up to.....$15.00
Blouse front tailor-made suits, worth up to.....$15.00
Black taffeta dress skirts, worth up to.....$10.00
Black Venetian dress skirts, worth up to.....$10.00
Fine Golf skirts, worth up to.....$10.00
Fine Kersey jackets, worth up to.....$8.50
Taffeta silk Eton jackets, worth up to.....$15.00
Cashmere tea gowns, worth up to.....$10.00
Misses' and children's jackets, worth up to.....$10.00

What $7.50 Will Buy

Golf suits, worth up to.....$30.00
Tailor-made blouse suits, worth up to.....$30.00
Golf skirts, worth up to.....$12.50
Electric seal collarettes, worth up to.....$15.00
Golf capes, worth up to.....$15.00
Fine Kersey jackets, worth up to.....$12.50
Handsome tea-gowns, worth up to.....$12.50

What $10.00 Will Buy

Golf suits, worth up to.....$30
Tight-fitting street suits, worth up to.....$30
Tailor-made blouse suits, worth up to.....$30
Taffeta silk skirts, worth up to.....$15
Finest Kersey jackets, worth up to.....$15
Golf capes, worth up to.....$15
Kersey cloth capes, worth up to.....$15
Electric seal collarettes, worth up to.....$15

What $15.00 Will Buy

Golf suits, worth up to.....$35
Tailor-made blouse suits, worth up to.....$35
Tight-fitting, tailor-made suits, worth up to.....$35
Kersey box jackets, worth up to.....$35
Fur collarette and marmot capes, worth up to.....$35
Cloth capes and golf capes, worth up to.....$35
Black taffeta dress skirts, worth up to.....$20

What $20.00 Will Buy

Tight-fitting suits, worth up to.....$55
Blouse tailor-made suits, worth up to.....$55
Taffeta silk skirts, worth up to.....$30
Kersey box coats, worth up to.....$30
Electric and astrakhan fur capes, worth up to.....$30

What $25.00 Will Buy

Blouse costumes, silk lined, and worth up to.....$45
Tight-fitting costumes, silk lined, worth up to.....$45
Taffeta silk dress skirts, worth up to.....$35
Automobile coats and ulsters, worth up to.....$39
Electric seal fur capes, worth up to.....$40
Fine velours jackets, worth up to.....$90

What $35.00 Will Buy

Imported street costume, worth.....$110
Imported street costume, worth.....$85
Imported street costume, worth.....$75
Imported Kersey ulster, worth.....$85

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